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7th Feb.	MANTUA ...	11000	....	...
14th ,,	SALSETTE ...	6900	MOREA	11000
21st ,,	CALEDONIA	8000	....	...
28th ,,	MALOJA	12500	....	...
7th Mar.	PERSIA ...	8000	....	..
14th ,,	SALSETTE ...	6900	MARMORA ...	10500
21st ,,	MACEDONIA	10500	....	...
28th ,,	SALSETTE ...	6900	MOLDAVIA ...	10500
1st Apl.	HIMALAYA	7000	....	..
4th ,,	ARABIA	8000	....	...
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City of Poona ..... A & C	7447	21st Jan.	...
City of Birmingham A & C	7475	23rd Feb.	21st Feb
City of Calcutta A & C	7630*	19th Mar	19th Mar
Trafford Hall ... . A	5321	21st Mar.	...
City of Manchester. A & C	5991	.....	25th Mar
City of Paris ..... A & C	9232*	18th April	11th Apr
City of Karachi ... A & C	5995	.....	22nd Apr
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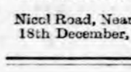
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*Graz	05	..	20th Mar.
Marienbad	8000	B. Bednarz	1st April.
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*Semiramis	4039	P. Pavissich	20th April.
Gablonz	8000	G. Gilhuber	1st May
Cleopatra	3999	R. Huber	10th May.
*Marienbad	8000	B. Bednarz	20th May.
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R. AITKEN,
Offg. Secretary and Treasurer.
Bombay, 17th December, 1913.

SHRI MANGAL HARISCHANDERALAYA.

THE OPENING CEREMONY of this charity building took place on Sunday, the 14th instant, under the presidentship of Professor VINAYAKERAO NANABHAI HATE, at which a large number of the members of the Daiwadnya Community congregated. The expenses of erecting it were made by Shrimati Bablibai Harischandera Pitale The late Mr. Harischandera Pandurang Pitale, J.P., had long desired to have a building in which members of his Caste could celebrate auspicious occasions such as marriage and Thread Ceremonies and also avail themselves to hold elocution gatherings, debate and lecture series free of charge. All who knew him in his life time will testify to his manifold and munificient gifts to several Charitable Institutions and the lead he generally took in undertakings of this type. To give effect to this desire and to remove the sore need felt by the majority of the members of the Daiwadnya Community the Philanthropic Shrimati Bablibai has erected this building to perpetuate the loving memory of her husband.

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K. N. TAGORE,
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Howrah, the 15th December, 1913.

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The steamer Persepolis, 2,983 tons, Captain G. Sacker, sailed on Wednesday for Dunkirk etc., with a general cargo.

The Bombay and Persia S. N. Co.'s steamer Mansuri, 2,870 tons, Captain P. H. Gore, sailed on Wednesday for Jeddah etc., with a general cargo and 13 deck passengers.

The steamer Elgin, 2,412 tons, Captain J. Potts, sailed on Wednesday for Bhawnagar, with the same bottom cargo.

The Asiatic S. and M. Co.'s steamer Nurani, 2,871 tons, Captain F. W. Atkin, sailed on Monday for Calcutta with the same bottom cargo.

The P. and O. Co.'s Steamer Egypt, 4,207 tons, Captain F. R. Summers, sailed on Monday for Shangai via Colombo with China and Australian Mails, a general cargo and passengers.

The B. I. S. N. Co.'s steamer Palamcotta, 2,207 tons, Captain G. R. Elton, arrived in harbour on Tuesday from Durban via Zanzibar etc., with a general cargo and passengers.

S. S. Den of Ogil, 3616 tons, Captain W. Jarvis, arrived in harbour on Wednesday from Barry with a cargo of Coal.

The Steamer Bhamoor, 2,403 tons, Captain A. Blakeef, arrived in harbour on Wednesday from Swan Sea with general cargo.

The Steamer Queen Eugene, 2,800 tons, Captain R. J. Legg, arrived in harbour on Wednesday from Karachi, with ballast.

The B. I. S. N. Co's Steamer Dwarka, 759 tons, Captain W. Moxan, arrived in harbour on Wednesday from Karachi via Kathiawar coast ports with a general cargo and passengers.

The B. I. S. N. Co's Steamer Dumra, 762 tons, Captain A. D. Burbridge, will sail to-day for Busreh via Karachi with a general cargo and passengers.

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Bhamoor ....2403 Blakeef ....
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Gymere ....2585 Osborne .....C M & Sons
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Kankak ....2192 Hallinstead C
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Sabrani ..547 Hossein...Repairing...B S N Co
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VESSELS IN DOCK.—Dec. 16

PRINCE'S DOCK.

Vessels. Tons. Capts. Des. Dts. Agents.
A Rialto ..2792 Chilton ...Hull......21-12 J Finlay & C
B City of Norwich...McMillan...11 17 Calcutta ...20-12...K N & Co
C&E Ockenfels ..3542 Dender...Hamburg... 20-14...W & A G & Co
D&H Seistan......2711 Forbes.........M M & Co
D&H Norfolk ..2526 Buckley Genoa...20 12 W & A G & Co
K Orangemoor...2576 Moffett......Antwerp... 23-12...W & A G & C.
M Salsette........2391 V...........P & O C
N St Fillans...3307 Sutherland G n a...23-12 D Nanji & Sons
O Dumra...762 Burbridge ...Busreh 18-2 M M & Co
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1 Egypt ...4207 Summers...Shanghai...17-12 F & Co
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8 Semiramis .....3553 Pavlsich ...Trieste... 1-1 A L & C
9 Trafford Hall ..3436 Main ......K N & Co
10&11 Nineve ..287 Mitsenbeim ...Busreh 23-12...W & A G & Co
12&13 Persia ..4154 Bradshaw ...London... 24-12 P & O
14 Lhasa ....9,1 Mosley.........M M & C
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16 Lawoo ....1817 Coates ..Jeddah 19-12 A & C

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Alfeld ....2479 Fisher ....T M & Co

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Ponani .. 512 Daw ....B S N Co
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M W D D

Sudravati ...... 62 N .... K N & Co

ARRIVALS.

Dec.	Vessels.	Commander.	From.
16	Palamcotta...	Elton ...	Durban, Nov...
17	Den of Ogil	Jarvis ...	Barry, Nov 21
	Queen Eugene	Legg ...	Karachi, Dec 5
	Bhamoor ...	Blakeef ...	Swansea, Nov 1
	Spitzfels ...	Krippner ...	Tuticorin, Dec 14
	Dwarka ...	Moxon ...	Karachi, Dec 1

DEPARTURES.

Dec.	Vessels.	Commander.	Destination.
17	Ooda ...	Hitam...	Bussorah, &c
	Pa.onFairlie...	...ley	Oscutta
	Nessa ...	Valet	Mangalore
	Egypt ...	Summers	Shanghai
	Nusani ...	Atkin	Calcutta
	Elgin ...	Potts	Bhavnagar
	Mansuri ...	Gore ...	Jeddah
	Persepolis	Sacker ...	Dunkirk

The steamer Dumra, Captain Burbridge, obtained port clearance yesterday for Busreh, &c.

The following vessels began to load yesterday:—

Steamer Rydal Hall, for Barcelona.
,, Palmcotta, for Zanzibar, &c.
,, Queen Eugene, for Fiji port, &c.
,, Nieuve, for Basreh.

,, Adamsturm, for Calcutta.
,, Alfeld, for Jeddah.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The P. and O. steamer "Palermo," arrived at London on the evening of Dec. 15.

The Anchor Line steamer "Massilia," Homeward bound, arrived at Suez in the early morning of Dec. 15.

The German East Africa Line steamer "Markgraf," left Mombasa for Bombay to-day.

The Ellerman Line steamer "City of Poona", outward bound left Liverpool on the evening of the 13th instant.

DAILY EXPORTS.—DEC. 17.

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Persia s—3 bales woollen carpets, Fleming Shaw and Co.

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Renaldo s—2,000 cwts cottonseed, Pulee and Co.

St Fillans s—1,140 cwts groundnut, oil cakes, F Morrison and Co; 16,000 cwts cottonseed, A Khimji; 200 bales hemp G Veerji and Co.

Athamas s—10,000 cwts cottonseed, V Cadhavji; 6,000 cwts cottonseed, A Khimji.

FOR ANTWERP.

St Fillans s—165 bales cotton, the Bombay Co; 84 bales hemp, 110 bales cotton, 47 bales cotton waste, C Peraj and Co.

Orrangemoor s—440 bales cotton, E Spinner and Co; 1 bundle woollen carpets, Mody and Co; 6,003 cwts gingillyseed, A Blascheck and Co.

FOR HAMBURG.

Braunfels s—320 bales cotton, 20 bales cotton picking, W Wolf and Sons.

Ockenfels s—89 bales cotton, 158 bales cotton fly, Solomon Bros; 155 bales cotton, Gaddum and Co; 5 cwts animal guts, E F Gomes; 2,000 cwts wheatbran, Arta Eller.

Trafford Hall s—2,000 cwts mowraseed, M Somji.

FOR BREMEN.

Ockenfels s—220 bales cotton, Volkart Bros; 6,000 cwts gingellyseed, L Dreyfus and Co.

FOR PORT SAID (for orders)

Garryvale s—13,160 cwts cotton seed, Ralli Bros.

FOR GENOA.

Imani s—408 bales cotton, Ralli Bros; 400 bales cotton, Volkart Bros.

FOR TRIESTE.

Semiramis s—227 bales cotton, Ralli Bros; 770 bales cotton, A Blascheck and Co; 2.0 bales cotton, Volkart Bros; 206 cwts methy seed, Bauner and Krause.

FOR VENICE.

Semiramis s—110 bales cotton, N F and C Corporation.

FOR BALTIMORE.

Queen Eugene s—6,300 tons manganese ore J Finlay and Co.

FOR YOKOHAMA.

Indo Maru s—500 bales cotton, Ralli Bros; 2,028 cwts bone meal, R Kaderbhoy; 2 cwts ivory, M Kassom.

FOR KOBE.

Indo Maru s—1,632 cwts bonemeal, R Kaderbhoy; 2 cwts ivory, M Kassom.

FOR OSAKA.

Indo Maru s—250 bales cotton, Ralli Bros.

Devanha s—100 bales cotton, Ralli Bros; 500 bales cotton, G G Kaisha.

DAILY IMPORTS—DEC. 17.

Steamer Adamsturm, from Humburg; Agents: W and A Graham and Co.—42 cases hemp twine, 461 cases cotton goods, 18 bales cotton goods, 6 bales 112 cases cotton tissues, 2 cases 55 bales yarn, 187 bales cotton waste cover, 141 bales cotton blankets, 2 bales cotton hose, 70 cases cotton and silk goods, 10 cases linen goods, 2 cases silk and goods, 145 cases 2 bales wool and goods, 13 cases carlin wool, 8 cases wool yarn, 10 bundles hemp-hose, 14 cases woollen shawls, 55 cases 658 bales paper, 262 cases aniline, 113 casks alizarine, 51 casks 45 cases colours, 89 cases 10 barrels paints, 3 cases clocks, 8 cases soap, 14 cases lamps, 5 cases glass beads 2 cases wax beads, 186 cases bottles, 1,053 cases window glass, 77 cases 840 bags 20 kegs chemicals, 139 cases chloride of magnium, 48 drums carbide of calcium, 5 casks lactic acid, 2 cases sulphuric acid 1 case muriatic acid, 5 cases carbolic acid, 1 case nitric acid, 29 cases ether, 91 cases china blue, 59 cases drugs, 3 cases provisions, 1 case tobacco boxes, 55 cases cheese, 50 bags starch, 500 bags fariner, 215 cases milk condensed and sterilized, 150 casks coal tar, 155 barrels mineral oil, 933 casks lubricating oil, 5 cases solid oil, 4 cases turkey red oil, 20 cases cocoanutoil, 8 cases etherial oil, 123 cases locks, 4 cases zinc sheets, 1 cases zinc dust, 486 cases nails, 10 cases brass sheets. 34 cases 1,2 0 bundles yellow metal sheets, 10 bags F chalk, 95 cases brandy, 130 cases 3 hogshead wines, 790 cases 36 drums 10 barrels beer, 1,122 cases spirits, 35 drum rectified spirits, 170 cases white cases spirit.

Steamer Nera from Nomea via Colombo; Agents: M Maritimes and Co.—98 cases provisions, 1 case perfumery, 4 cases soap, 20 bales silk, 2 cases vinegar, 90 cases brandy, 51 cases liquors.

Steamer BrigFlodedie from Shore; Agents: L Purshottam and Co.—1,507 packages dry dates 15 packages samuderfins, 8 packages 20 cwts shark fins, 1,093 dry fish surmai, 3,544 number, 3 package fish maws.

Steamer Palamcotta from Durban; Agents: M M and Co.—858 tons coal, 330 bags cowries, 423 bales cloves, 1 case rhinoceros horns, 1 bundle hides, 3 cases candles, 13 cases cotton goods, 5 bags beans, 4 bundles 2 cases copper, 2 cases tortoise shells, 1 case 10 pieces ivory.

Steamer Den of Ogil from Cardiff (Barry) Agents: Turner Morrison and Co.—8,073 tons coal.

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BOMBAY.

TO-DAY.

Bombay Legislative Council, Secretariat, 11-30 a. m.

Bombay Choral Society, "Faust," Town Hall 9-30, p.m., T. E. Lord and Lady Willingdon attend.

Lady Willingdon gives away prizes of the Girgaum Girls' High School, Town Hall, 5-30 p.m.

Colaba Gymnasium Concert, 9-30 p. m.

Royal Opera House, 6-15, and 10.

Olympia Picture Palace, Sandhurst-road.

America-India Cinematograph, Charni-road

RAILWAY TIME-TABLE.

[In force from 1st September, 1913.]

The following are the hours of arrival and departure of the principal Mail and Express trains at and from Victoria Terminus and Colaba daily. Standard time is given in all cases:—

G. I. P. Railway.

	Arr.	Dep.
Punjab Mail ...	12-35	17-15
Calcutta Mail (via Jubbulpur) ...	13-20	21-0
Calcutta Mail (via Nagpur) ...	8-45	13-30
Madras Mail ...	6-0	21-30
Poona Mail ...	11-10	14 45
Delhi Express (3rd and inter. class) ...	6-40	7-30
Poona Express ...	19-35	8-0
Manmad Express ...	11-30	14-25
Postal Express for Punjab.		*
do. do. for Calcutta.		*
do. do. for Madras.		*

* Four hours after Mail steamer is signalled on Fridays only.

B. B. & C. I. Railway.

[In force from 1st December 1913.]

	Arr.	Dep.
Northern Express ...	8-50	21-0
Gujarat Mail ...	7-45	21-30
Third class Kathiawar Express & Delhi Fast Passenger 1st, 2nd and 3rd ...	6-55	21-45

ZOROASTRIAN LECTURE.—Under the auspices of the Zoroastrian Conference, Dastur Dr. M. N. Dhalla, M.A., Ph.D., will deliver a sermon this evening at 6 (S. T.), in the open compound of Banaji's Firetemple at Karelwadi, on "The Zoroastrian philosophy of life and death." Sirdar Khan Bahadur Pheroze Hoshang Dastur, M.A., will preside.

POSTAL NOTICE.—As the English mail steamer is not expected to reach Bombay until 3 a. m. on Saturday, the departure of the Karachi mail steamer will be postponed until after the arrival in harbour of the s. s. "Arcadia." The mails for Karachi and the Persian Gulf will consequently not be closed at the Bombay G. P. O. until 6 p.m. on Friday.—Mails for Seychelles Lamu Mombassa, Ibo, Chindi, Dar-es Salaam, Zanzibar, Tanga, Quilimane, Mozambique, Beira and L. Marquis per s.s. "Konig," will be closed at the General Post Office at 10 a.m., on Friday the 19th December. Correspondence for Natal, Cape Colony, and other places in South Africa will also be forwarded by this steamer.

MUSIC AT THE PRINCESS MARY GYMKHANA.—By kind permission of Lt.-Col. F. W. Bonner, V. D., and officers, the band of the 1st Batten., G I P. Ry. Volunteers, will play the following programme of music, under the direction of Mr. Hugh B Mitchell, bandmaster, commencing at 6 p.m. to-day:—

March	Sevrida	Starke
Overture	Stradella	Flotow
Valse	Saints and Sinners	Dawson
Selection	The Merry Widow	Lehar
Gavotte	The way to the Heart	Lincke
Selection	Miss Hook of Holland	Rubens
Two-Step	Mr J Hynes	R. Penso

SUN, MOON AND TIDES AT BOMBAY.

The following are the hours and heights of the tides in Bombay Harbour during the ensuing week. Hours stated in Bombay Meantime; Depth of water is at Princes' Dock sill.

HIGH WATER.

Day of Week.	Day of Month.		Bombay Mean Time.		Depth on sill.	
December			h.	m.	ft.	in.
Thurs ...	18	m	2	21	28	1
			2	28 a	25	9
Fri ...	19	m	3	5	28	3
			3	21 a	25	4
Sat ...	20	m	3	51	27	7
			4	34 a	25	2
Sun ...	21	m	4	47	27	0
			5	51 a	25	4
Mon ...	22	m	5	49	26	6
			7	20 a	5	11
Tues ...	23	m	6	53	21	2
			8	31 a	27	0

LOW WATER.

Day of Week.	Day of Month.		Bombay Mean Time.		Depth on sill.	
December			h.	m.	ft.	in.
Thurs ...	18	m	8	23	10	4
			8	1 a	7	0
Fri ...	19	m	9	2	10	1
			8	57 a	18	3
Sat ...	20	m	10	23	13	9
			10	1 a	19	6
Sun ...	21	m	11	37	14	2
			11	27 a	20	6
Mon ...	22		0	41 a	17	5
Tues ...	23	m	0	5	0	1
			1	7 a	16	7

The following are the hours of sunrise and sunset according to Indian Standard Time during the ensuing week:—

Dec.	Sunrise		Sunset	
18 (Thursday)	do 7h.	5m.	do 6h.	5m
19 (Friday)	do 7h.	6m.	do 6	5m
20 (Saturday)	do 7h	6m	do 6h.	6m
21 (Sunday)	do 7h	7m	do 6h.	6m.
22 (Monday)	do 7h	7m.	do 6h	6m.
23 (Tuesday)	do 7h.	7m.	do 6h	7m.

PHASES OF THE MOON.—Last Quarter, 20th, 5h 45-8 p.m.; New Moon, 27th 5h 26-7m p.m.; First Quarter, Jan. 4th, 6h 39 1m. p.m.; Full Moon, 12, 10h 39-0m. a.m.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.—Are you broken in your rest by a sick child suffering with the pain of cutting teeth? Go at once to a chemist and get a bottle of Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. It will relieve the poor sufferer immediately. It is perfectly harmless and pleasant to taste, it produces natural, quiet sleep by relieving the child from pain, and the little cherub awakes "as bright as a button." It soothes the child, it softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels, and is the best known remedy for dysentry and diarrhoea, whether arising from teething or other cases. Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup is sold by Medicine dealers every where.

ARRIVALS.

PER S. S. "ARCADIA," DEC. 20.

The P. and O. Co.'s s. s. "Arcadia," with the outward mails of Dec. 5th, left Aden at noon on Monday, and is expected to arrive in Bombay at 3 a.m. on Saturday next with the following passengers:—

LONDON TO BOMBAY.

Baboneau, Miss	Marshall, Rev N E
Carroll, Mr E W	Marsden, Miss G
Clayton, Mr H J	Meiggs, Mrs
Cochrane, Mrs, Miss and Miss M	Mole, Mrs and inft and ayah
Crockett, Mr J	Olivant, Mr W H
Geoghegan, Mrs M L	O'Gorman, Miss N J Osborne, Misses
Hasie, Mr A L	Richardson, Mr W
Hobbert, Capt R F	Stretton, Mr S
Helliwell, Mrs F	Styles, Miss
Jaggard, Mr A L	Topalia, Mr A B
Jones, Miss K N	Turner, Mr R L
Kitching, Capt R F	Welherill, Mr H B and Mrs
Lambert, Mr E T Mrs and infant	Wendt, Mr R E G
Lang, Mr C G	Wendt, Mr R
MacPherson, Miss	

MARSEILLES TO BOMBAY.

Ali, Mr M	Lambourne, Mr G E and Mrs
Baker, Mr S and Mrs	Lloyd, Mrs E
Bryer, Mr W H and Mrs	Loch, Mr F G
	London, Mr J
Bode, Mr S H	MacLaughten, Dr A J M
Clemence, Mr W	
Cochrane, Mr J	McDonnell, Mr J A and Mrs
Dawes, Major C D	
d'Ostiani, Count B F C	Marshall, Mr and Miss S
Fenaroli, Count P	Pigott, Mr V P
Findlay, Mr J G	Pradham, Mr B B
Fraser, Mr D and Mrs and inft.	Rand, Mr
	Seeley, Mr A
Fyfe, Mr H G	Sirdar Darstan Singh
Gemmell, Mr F W	
Grant, Mr A H	Sells, Mrs A F
Hamilton Major J	Scott, Mr M A H
Hannaford, Miss L	Smart, Mr W G
Henderson, Mr J	Vernon, Mr C
Holliday, Mr E H	Vickers, Capt and Mrs
Horsburgh, Mr R A	
Husan, Mr S W	Walker, Mr D
Israle, Mr V	Wormald, Mr J
Keay, Mr L	Zobel, Mr J E
Keighley, Mr E	

PORTSAID TO BOMBAY.

Bahman Khan Moh A.

LONDON TO KARACHI.

Craig, Mr J.

MARSEILLES TO KARACHI.

Gordon, Mr G	Ludlow, Mr F O
Horswell, Mr E	

PER S. S. "CIRCASSIA," DEC. 21.

The Anchor Line steamer "Circassia" is due to arrive here about daylight on Sunday the 21st instant with the following passengers:—

Anson, Miss	Holmes, Mrs H G infant & governess
Aitkinson, Mr A	Kerr, Mrs
Bidle, L Col G	Kerr, Miss
Bidi, Miss	Kisloc, Miss B
Bird, Rev A F R	Lipsett, Miss
Birdwood, Mrs 2 infts and nurse	Lister, Mrs H I K inft and nurse
Bourdillon, Miss N	Mainel, Rev G D
Carr, Miss	Ramsay, Mr G B
Chamber, Mrs E	Scott, Rev G M B
Cobb, Miss	Silberrad, Mrs
Cliff, Miss	Smith, Rev C S
Crawley, Mr M H	Smith, Mrs
Cawley, Mrs	Smith, Miss L K G
Fox, Capt W G	Streatfield, Miss G
Fox, Miss	Taylor, Mr W
Fox, Miss	Turner, Miss
Freno, Mrs L and child	Dalrymple-Walter M G
Glasbrook, Mrs M	Willett, Mr C
Grimsaw, Mr W	Willett, Mrs
Hampson, Mrs S child and nurse	Pollock-Morris, Capt J
	Fitch-Morris, Mrs

MESSAGERIES MARITIMES FLEET.

THE NEW LINER "ANDRE LEBON."

On October 27 last the magnificent new liner "Andre Lebon" was successfully launched from the Messageries Maritimes Company's yards at La Ciotat, France.

The s.s. "Andre Lebon" is a sister ship of the s. s. "Paul Lecat", which has already won a great reputation, and, like her, belongs to that series of large and up-to-date steamers built by the Messageries Maritimes Company for their Marseilles-Japan Line.

Her gross tonnage is 12,500 tons and she has a displacement of 18,000 tons. Her length is 532 feet, her breadth 63 feet. Her quadruple expansion engines develop more than 1,000 H P., giving the ship during the voyage an average speed of 15 knots.

The passenger accommodation is arranged to give the maximum comfort and is most luxurious.

The s.s. "Andre Lebon" can carry 210 first saloon passengers 180 second saloon passengers and 146 third saloon passengers. Nothing has been spared to give them all possible conveniences and make them as comfortable as in the best hotels of the world.

The sanitary arrangements have been given special attention and there are for all three classes in every cabin enamelled earthenware lavatory stands and hold and hot water distributors; there are also numerous bathrooms with douche on all decks.

The ventilation in the various apartments is carried out either by independent fans or by the "Thermo-Tank" system with cold and hot air distributors to assure an average temperature in the various compartments of the steamer. The seven decks are connected by electric passenger elevator.

MORLEY SCHOLARSHIPS.

The correspondent writes:—

The Seva Sadan Society offers two scholarships of Rs 17 each, per month, out of the interest of the Morley Memorial Fund (raised by the late Mr. B. M. Malbari) to any two ladies who have matriculated or are studying in a college, to enable them to prosecute collegiate studies or to pursue a post graduate course. Students of history, and students agreeing to become Seva Sadan sisters or workers, will be preferred.

The scholarships are tenable ordinarily for a year, but may be continued if it is found that the scholar has been prosecuting her studies with due diligence and is otherwise deserving of its continuance. Applications to be sent in by January , and further particulars may be obtained from the Secretary, Seva Sadan, Gamdevi Road, Bombay.

WELL-KNOWN BOMBAY MAN DEAD.

THE LATE MR. WALTER STEVENS.

SUDDEN DEATH IN HOSPITAL.

Mr. Walter Stevens, General Manager of Messrs. Badham Pile and Co., Ltd., died in the European General Hospital at half-past nine yesterday morning, the immediate cause of death being heart failure following on enteric.

For some time the deceased, who only came out about five years ago, suffered severely from malarial fever. Last Thursday he was declared to be affected with enteric and a weakened system proved incapable of withstanding the attack. Mr. Stevens leaves a widow and two children, who are at Home, to mourn his loss, and with these the greatest sympathy is being expressed.

Mr. Stevens was 56 years of age. Before he joined Messrs. Badham Pile and Co., he had been for more than twelve years with Messrs. Marshall and Snelgrove, Ltd., London, and was regarded as a very capable man of business. Apart from this he was much esteemed as a friend and his death will cause the deepest regret in this city.

Out of respect for the memory of the deceased, the firm's premises were closed yesterday, and flags flew at half-mast from the buildings of most of the other trade firms.

The interment took place in the late afternoon, many well-known members of the local trading community being present. The Bombay Presidency Trades Association was represented by its Secretary, Mr. R. D. Hughes, and those present also included Mr. Walter Procter (Messrs. Marcks and Co.), Mr Edmonston (Messrs. Phillips and Co.).

The coffin was covered by many beautiful wreaths, prominent among which were tributes sent on behalf of the firm's establishments in Bombay, Poona and Secunderabad the Trades Association, and the deceased's widow and children.

Among the mourners were the entire staffs of the various departments of the Bombay establishment.

MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS.

THE GENERAL COMMITTEE PROCEEDINGS.

A meeting of the Standing Committee of the Municipal Corporation was held yesterday afternoon, the Hon. Mr. Fazulbhoy M. Chinoy, the chairman, presiding.

A letter from the Commissioner, stating that five tenders had been received for the supply of drainage stone-ware pipes and fittings and proposing the acceptance of the tender of the Universal Agency Co., for Rs. 11,453-4-8 (being the lowest), was read and approved.

Letters from the Commissioner, submitting proposals for the acquisition of certain properties at the junction of Lady Jamshedji Road and Mori Road and at the junction of Musjid Bunder Road and Narayan Dhuru Street for street improvement was taken into consideration. The matter was referred to a committee for report.

An application for an additional grant of Rs 25,750 from the surplus cash balance for the purchase of coal for the Love Grove pumping and Compressor stations was referred to the Corporation.

Another matter taken for consideration was a letter from the Commissioner stating that owing to prohibitive rates having for long been quoted for the supply of sand for the filters in the reservoirs, the difficulty of obtaining it departmentally and the possibility of mechanical filters being adopted in preference to sand filters, purchases of sand for this purpose had for some time been postponed. The enquiries made in England by the Hydraulic Engineer, during his recent leave as to the desirability of adopting mechanical filters showed that there were serious objections to such a course and he considered it advisable to hasten the purchase of sand, especially as enquiries recently made showed a likelihood of reasonable rates being quoted.

The letter stated that besides the renewed grant of Rs. 12,820 an additional grant of Rs. 8,200 was required and which he suggested might be met from the surplus cash balance. The Committee referred the letter to the Corporation for granting the same.

A CHRISTMAS OFFER.

The giving of Christmas boxes is a very old custom, and the Nestle and Anglo Swiss Condensed Milk Company of Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay, are offering to the readers of the *Bombay Gazette* a substantial gift. This is a half litre tin of "Milkmaid" cream, weighing 17 ozs., which should be acceptable, especially at the festive season. Those desirous of taking advantage of the offer have only to send in their names and addresses, together with the coupon which will be found in the advertisement in to-morrow's issue. Applications should be addressed to this paper in the first instance, except in the case of mofussil readers, who must forward their communications with their coupons direct to the Nestle and Anglo-Swiss Condensed Milk Company, Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay, enclosing 4 annas to cover packing and postage.

CHORAL SOCIETY'S CONCERT

Those who have never heard or seen a performance of Gounod's "Faust" have the opportunity offered them of hearing the masterpiece of this great composer at the Bombay Town Hall, to-night, when it will be given by the Choral Society. Faust has, to our knowledge, never before been heard in Bombay. Mr. Bear, the Musical Conductor of the Society, has taken upon himself a tremendous task, as in him really lies the responsibility for the whole performance, but that the result will be a success is a foregone conclusion to those who know his work will not think an unreasonable one to make. He supported by a chorus which has hitherto done very well and the same may be said of the orchestra. He is fortunate, too, in his soloists. Who is there who has heard the and will not again be glad to hear Siebel's Flower song, "Gentle flowers of the dew," Margarita's Jewel song, Mephistophiles's "Clear the way for the golden calf," Faust's "All hail brightest of days" and the ever popular Soldier's Chorus with grand orchestral accompaniment—to say nothing of the brilliant ending of the third act.

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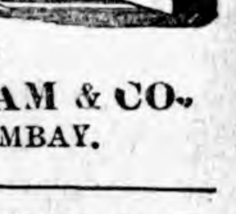
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3 1-2 do. Sterling Loan ...	85 1-2		-1
do. do. Gov. Securities ...	81	1-3	
Bar Silver in London Spot ...	26 5-8		unchgd
do. 2 months' hence	26 11-16		unchgd
Bar Silver in New York	57 5-8		unchgd
Exchange on London at Paris	25'31 1-2		1-2
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do. do. New York	4'85 1-8		-3
Discount Bank of England Rate ...	5		unc
do Short London Bills	2nd Oct.		
3 months' sight ..	4 3-16		unchgd
do Indian Bank Bills 6 months' sight ..	4 7-16		unchgd
do. 3 months' Fine Trade Bills ...	5 1-4		unchgd
do. 6 months' Fine Trade Bills ...	5 1-4		unchgd
Interest day-to-day Loans ...	4 3-8		unchgd
do. 7 day Market Loans	4 1-2		unchgd

Bar Gold 77'9 unchgd.

Exchange on India 32 days sight (bank buying rate) 1s. 3 7-32 unchanged.

Closing tone of silver—Quiet.

Amount withdrawn from the Bank of England about £ 20,000 for South America.

India Council proposal £375,000 due from Egypt 27th December.

COTTON.

LIVERPOOL.—

Spot ... Fair demand. Easier.
Futures ... Steady.
Manchester ...Quiet.
Total sales ... 10,000
Sold on speculation and for Export ... 500
Imports ... 31,000
Mid-Americans ...7 17—5
Egyptian F. G. F. Brown ... 9 55

FUTURE DELIVERY PRICES.

Dec.-Jan.	Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.	
6 83	6'82	6 84	
—03	—01	—1	
Mar.-Apl.	Apl.-May.	May-June	
6 85	6 85	6 '4	
unchgd	—01	—01	
June-July	July-Aug.	Aug.-Sept.	Sept-Oct.
6 81	6 79	6 66	6 '4
—01	unchgd	unchgd	unchgd

NEW YORK.—

New York 11 a.m., Mar. 12 69 May 12 63.

New York official noon call March May not stated.

New Orleans 10 a.m. Mar. 12 93 May 13'04.

	Bales.
Days' Receipts at U.S. Ports. ...	51,000
Receipts at U.S. last year...	84,000
Exports to Great Britain ...	12,000
Exports to Continent ...	2,000
Spot Cotton	...12'90 —10

Futures—Month of March 12'62—04
Futures—Month of May 12 60—03

Advanced early on favorable cables and declined later owing to longs unloading.

NEW ORLEANS.—

Spot cotton ...13 unchgd
Futures month of March ...12'86— 4
Futures month of May ... 12'94—13
Tone of Spot Cotton ... Quiet.

Liverpool, Dec. 16.

Tone Dhooties and Shirtings—Firm.
Tone Cloths ... Better demand steady prices.

Weft American "54" ... 11 -8
Weft Egyptian "80" ... 18 1-4
Tone—Yarn—Market ... Quiet
Weft Egyptian "32" ... 12 7-8
Twist "32" W T C ... 10 3-8
Twist "32" B ... 1? 1-2
Cloth Gandi's 20 3?inch ... 13-3
Twist "36" W T C ... 10 5-8
Twist "36" B ... 10 3-4
Twist "42" ... 11 3-4
Twist American "60" ... 16 1-2
Twist Egyptian "60" ... 17 1-2
Twist Egyptian "80" ... 21 1-2
Grey shirtings 39 in. by 37 1-
38 yds 16 by 12 8 lbs Red Heading 7 8 1-2
" " 44 in. by 39 yds 1? by 1? lbs ... 8 5
White Nainsooks 28 in. by 18 yds 16 by 18 to 16-15 Range ... 2 10
Mull 28 in. by 1? yds 14 by 12 Green Ends 2 1 1-2
White Shirtings 32-35 in. by 42 yds Lapmens No. 1500...Not quoted
40s Banner Mill Twist ... 11 1-3
Geo Mayall's Yarn ... 11
F. G. F. Tinnevelly C. I. F. Liverpool ... 6 5-16
Buyers or Sellers ... Nominal
Months ... Jan.

Water Twist American	30s.	10 1-2	
" "	40s.	11 5-8	
Mule "	40s.	11 1-8	
" "	50s.	12 7-8	
" "	6?s.	15 1-8	
" Egyptian	40s.	17 1-8	
" "	50s.	17 5-8	
" "	60	18 5-8	

WHEAT.

Wheat White Delhi ... .
Wheat White Karachi ...37 '-8 1-8
Do. Months ... Dec.-Jan.
Do. Name of Ports—London—Value.
Wheat Red Karachi ...Nominal.
Do. Months ... ...
Do. Name of Ports— ......
Tone Quiet.

SOUTH AMERICAN WHEAT.

Rosario Santa Fe ... Unchanged
Barletta Russo ... Do.

AUSTRALIAN WHEAT.

South Australian ... Unchanged
Victorian ... do
New South Wales ... do

SEEDS.

RAPESEED.—

Yellow Cawnpore per 416 lbs., 85 p.c. ex-ship ... 53 unchgd
Do. Months— ...Dec.-Jan.
Do. Name of Ports— ...Antwerp—Sellers.

Yellow Guzerat, per 416 lbs. 85 p. c. ex-ship ...Nominal.
Do. Months ... ...
Do. Name of Ports ... ...

Brown Cawnpore ... 48 1-4—1-4
Do. Months— ...Dec.-Jan.
Do. Name of Port—Antwerp—Sellers.

Tone—Quiet.

LINSEED.—

Bombay per 413 lbs ex-ship ...48 1-4 unchgd
Do. Months— ...Jan.-Feb.
Do. Name of Ports Dunkirk Sellers.
Tone—Quiet.
Linseed Calcutta ...47—31.
Do. Months ...Dec.-Jan.

Do. Name of Ports—London—Value—Dull.
Tone—Firm.
Linseed Argentine—La Plata 41 1-4—5-8
Do. Months— ...Jan.-Feb.
Do. Name of Ports—Antwerp—Sellers—Quiet.

COTTONSEED.—

Bombay Cottonseed Market ... £6-13-6+0-0-3 Dec.-Jan.—Hull—Sellers—Dull.

MISCELLANEOUS.

COFFEE.—

In New York Fair Rio Coffee (No. 7 quality) ...? 5-8 unchgd

RUBBER.—

Para Rubber ...3 0 1-2+1-4d. Dec.-Jan.—Buyers.—Easier.—Quieter.

METALS.—

Standard Copper G M B ...£65—?8
Copper Braziers ...£8 —4
Yellow Metal ...6 7-8—1-8

FREIGHTS.—

Coals :—Cardiff to Bombay—13s—Value.

ARRIVALS.—

"Ba on Ogilvey."

SUGAR.—

German granulated sugar O & F Indes (double bags)...12 5 1-4—3-4d
Do. Months of Shipments ...Jan.-Mar.—Sellers.

Tone—Very quiet—Prices rather easier
Hungarian Crystal Sugar C F India ...11 8 1-4 unchgd
Do. Months of Shipments Jan.-Mar.—Sellers.

Tone—Nothing doing.
German ... 88 p.c. ...8 11 3-4—1-4d.
Months of Shipments ...Dec.—Sellers.
9 4 1-2—1-2?. Mar.—Sellers.

Tone—Quiet with a fairly steady tone
E. A. & Similar Crystals C & F India ...13 2 1-4—unchgd
Months of Shipments Jan.-Mar.—Sellers.
Tone—Unchanged—Quiet.
Mauritius Crystal C and F Calcutta ...11 0 3-4 unchgd
C and F Bombay ...10 9 3-4 unchgd
Months of Shipments—Dec.—Value—Quiet.
Java Sugar—unchanged—Very quiet

BEETROOT SUGAR CROP.

Licht's amended estimate of the Beetroot Sugar Crop is 8,55 ,0 0 tons.

BOMBAY MARKETS.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.] Dec. 17th 1913.

IMPORTS OF TREASURE.

Packages.	Value.	From	Importers
51 Bundles Sovereigns	Rs 225 0	Basrah	Comptoir National
Rupees ...	9.0.0	do	do

EXPORT OF BAR SILVER FROM BOMBAY BY RAIL on 15th Dec. 1913.

By	Bars.	Ounces.
G. I. P. Railway...	51	56,7 5
B. B. and C. I. Ry	41	49,063

FINANCIAL.

MONEY :—

Bank of Bengal rate since 13th Nov.		7 p.c.
Bank of Bombay ,,	31st Oct.	5 ,,
Bank of Madras ,,	1st Oct	6 ,,

EXCHANGE:—

The market opened quiet and unchanged. There has not been much business doing.

We quote :—

T T on London Ready ...1s 4 1-16d
Demand drafts ...1s 4 3-21
Credit 3 months sight ...1s 4 3-8d
Do Forward 1s 4 5-16d Mar.
Do France Read ..171 3-4
Do Marks ...139 3-4
Hongkong 60 day's sight ...14 1-2
Shanghai ,, ...1-2 1-4
Japan ,, ...147 3-4

GOVERNMENT PAPER :—

The market opened at 95 3-4 for Cash and the Settlement and has remained steady during the day closing as under.

We quote—

Cash ...Rs. 95 12 0 to 95 13 0
Settlement ...Rs. 95 12 0

BULLION :—

Bar Silver in London was unchanged at 26 5-8 for ready and 26 11 16 for forward. The local market opened at 67 7-8 for the settlement and closes easier as under.

We quote :—

English Bar Gold ...	Rs. 24	0	6
Australian Gold ...	,, 24	0	0
Sovereign Gold ...	,, 15	0	0
Silver (ex duty)			
Ready ...	,, 68	4	0
1st Settlement ...	,, 67	11	0
2nd Settlement ...	,, 67	9	0
Silver (cum duty)			
Ready ...	,, 77	10	0
1st Settlement ...	,, 77	1	0
2nd Settlement ...	,, 76	15	0

COTTON.

MARKET REPORT :—

The following are the latest telegrams to hand:—

WALD AND Co: Liverpool:—"Market steady in sympathy with American prices." New York "small market; steady on shorts covering."

GRONING AND Co: "Continent seems inclined to buy cotton at present prices. One opinion is that although cotton may go lower, short sales are dangerous."

HORNBY HEMELRYK: "Cables from Alexandria, Egypt—Great anxiety felt concerning low Nile. Ministers considering situation."

THEODORE PRICE AND Co:— (New York) "No demand. Unless there is some improvement in Liverpool or New York, we anticipate a considerable decline. Prospects of trade are not encouraging."

There was a small decline of 3 and 4 points in the American markets. The late heavy drop has received a check and a reaction is about due. The local market opened at Rs. 305 for good Broach and has declined about Rs. 2 during the day. There is still no life in the market. Exporters are sellers, but the enquiry is very moderate.

For ready cotton there has been a moderate demand. Rates are easier.

QUOTATIONS:—

NEW CROP.

		Rs.	
Fine M. G. Broach	...	31?-15	Mar.
Good do do	...	303 1-2	,,
Fine M. G. Wardha Hinganghat	...	287	Jan.
Fine M. G. Nagpur	...	283	,,
,, ,, Yeotmal	...	276	,,
,, ,, Dhamangaon P.		270	,,
,, ,, Khamgaon Akola		260	,,
,, ,, Amraoti	...	263	,,
,, ,, Khandeish	...	241	,,
F. G. ,, Khandeish	...	231	,,

Fine ,, Muthia	...	240	,,
,, ,, Bengal	...	224	Dec.
,, ,, do	...	225	Jan.
F. G. Bengal	...	220	,,

LIVERPOOL OPENER.—

Opening Tone ... Strong
Estimated Sales ... 8,000
Total Imports ... 37,000

FUTURE DELIVERY PRICES :—

Dec.-Jan.	Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.
6 83	6'83	6 84
unchgd	+01	unchgd
March-April	April-May	May-June
6 85.	6'84	6 84
—01	—01	unchgd
June-July	July-Aug.	Aug.-Sept.
6 80	6 78	6 65
—01	—01	—01

SEEDS AND WHEAT.

LINSEED :—

The market is quiet. We quote :—
Ready ... Rs 7 13 0 B. T.
December ... ,, 8 6 0 B. T.
Apl-May ... ,, 9 1 6 ...

RAPESEED :—

The market is quiet but steady. We quote :—
Brown Delhi May Rs. 9 0 3 B.T.
Brown Cawnpore ,, 7 12 0 B.T.
Yellow Cawnpore ,, 9 0 6 ,,

GINGELLYSEED :—

Tone—Quiet but steady. We quote :—
Bold White 85p.c. Rs. 58 8 0
Black Kutni ...Rs. 48 8 0
Y. Hinganghat ...Rs. 61 8 0

POPPYSEED :—

Tone—Quiet. We quote :—
Ready ... Rs. 10 12 0 B.T.

CASTORSEED :—

Tone—Steady. We quote :—
Ready ... Rs. 24 8 0

COTTONSEED :—

Tone—Quiet. We quote :—
Ready ... Rs. 24 8 0

GROUNDNUTS :—

Tone—Steady. We quote :—
New Crop Bold Rs. 48 8 0
,, Small Rs. 47 8 0

MOWRASEED :—

Tone—Quiet. We quote :—
Ready ... Rs. 8 6 0 B.T.

WHEAT :—

The market is Quiet. We quote:—
White Pissi 85 p.c. ready Rs. 5 7 0 B.T.
White Delhi ay 1914 5 12 6 B.T.

SHARES.

BANKS.

Bank of Bombay	...	1,5?0
Bank of India	...	61 1-2
Eastern Bank	...	78

MILLS.

Crescent	...	107 1-2
David	...	435
Kohinoor	...	70? 1-2
Maneckji Petit	...	1,980
New Great Eastern	...	2 7 1-2
Nagpur	...	1 820
Standard	...	1,090
Sun Mills		85
Swadeshi Mills	...	1,425

PRESSES.

Indian Cotton	...	133 3-4
New Berar	...	535
New Mofussil	...	765

MISCELLANEOUS.

Bombay E. S. & T. C. Ord ...		202
Bombay E. S. & T. C. Pre ...		170
Bombay S N Ord	...	225
Colaba Land and Mill	...	1,355
Shivrajpur M Syndicate	...	20 1-2
Treacher and Co	...	490

RAILWAY.

Tapti Valley	...	580

DAY'S RECEIPTS.

The following are the receipts of produce into Bombay for 24 hours ending at 6 p.m. on yesterday :—

Cotton	... ...	23,933	bales.
Wheat	... ...	6,164	cwts.
Linseed	... ...	5,861	,,
Rapeseed	... ...	83	,,
Gingellyseed	... ...	25,848	,,
Poppyseed	... ...	nil	,,
Groundnuts	... ...	17,234	,,
Castorseed	... ...	2,092	,,
Rice	... ...	29,517	,,
Myrabollams	... ...	4?2	,,
Cottonseed	... ...	41,809	,,
Mowraseed	... ...	599	,,
Gram	... ...	2,871	,,
Jowar	... ...	2,487	,,
Maize	... ...	20	,,
Barley	... ...	1,199	,,

GRIFFITHS' COMMERCIAL TELEGRAMS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.

	Bales.
Day's Receipts at U. S. Ports.	51,000 ,,
Exports to Great Britain ...	12,000 ,,
Exports to Continent ...	2,000 ,,
Spot Cotton at New York ...	12 90—10
Future Cotton at New York March ...	12'62—4
Future Cotton at New York May ...	12'60—3
Spot closing tone ...	Steady.
Futures closing tone ...	do.

General Tone market opened :—Steady and declined on unfavorable cables longs unloading.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 16.

Spot Cotton at New Orleans 13
Future Cotton at New Orleans—March ... 12'86—4
Future Cotton at New Orleans—May ... 12'94—3
Futures closing tone.— ... Steady.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 16.

COTTON.

The Liverpool market opened for spot—Steady and closed quiet.

The Liverpool market closed for futures—Quiet.

The Liverpool market closed for East Indians. Quiet.

Total Day's Sales ...	...	10,000 bales.
Sales on Spec and export	...	600 ,,
Total Sales of Surats	...	......
Total Day's Imports	...	50,000 ,,
Coconada Fair Red—Ldn. C. I. F.	...	5 3-4
Coconada Ginned—London C. I. F.	...	.....
Egyptian F. G. Fair Brown ...		10'00
Good Bhownuggur	...	6 3-16d.
Good Bengal	...	5 9-16d.
F. G. Bengal	...	5 11-16d.
Fine Bengal	...	5 13-16d.
Good Madras Westerns Ldn ...		5 11-16d.
F. G. F. Tinnevelly L'pool C. I. F.	...	6 5-16d.
Geo. Mayalls Yarns	...	11 1-8
40's Mule Twist (Bannermills)		11 1-2
Weft 54 American	...	12 1-2
Weft 80 Egyptian	...	18 3-8
Weft 32's	...	12 1-8
Twist 36	...	10 3-4
Twist 42	...	11 3-4
Twist American 60 ...		16 5-8
Twist Egyptian 60 ...		17 3-4
Twist Egyptian 80 ...		21 5 8
Tone of Fine Yarns—	...	Steady.
Tone of Coarse Yarns—		do.
General Tone of Yarn Market—		do.
Mid American at Liverpool ...		7'17—5

Cotton delivery mid uplands G. O. C. Liverpool,

Dec.-Jan.	... ...	...	6'83—2
Jan.-Feb.	... ...	...	6'8?—2
Feb.-March	... ...	...	6 84—1
Mar.-April	... ...	...	6'86
April-May	... ...	...	6'85—1
May-June	... ...	...	6'8?—1
June-July	... ...	...	6'81—1
July-August	...	...	6'77
Aug.-Sep.	... ...	...	6'64

Manchester, Dec. 16.

Manchester Piece Goods Market :—Quiet with no particular activity.

LONDON, Dec. 16.

SEEDS.

Linseed, 4 p. c. Refraction, Landed Terms (per 410 lbs). Dec-Jan.—London—47 Done.

Linseed, Bombay exship (per 416 lbs) ...Dec.-Jan.—Antwerp 48 Sellers.

Linseed, La Plata .. Dec.-Jan. Hamburg—41 3 ,,

Linseed, Tone of Market at Close— .. Steady.

Linseed Tendency of the Market— ... do.

Linseed Oil Spot Pipes ...Dec £25 5-0

Linseed Oil Spot Pipes...Feb-Mar.£25 5-0

Linseed Tone of Market at Close— Quiet.

Linseed Total afloat for U. K. ......

Linseed River Plate exports ... .

Poppyseed. Canal ...Dec.-Jan. Dunkirk—63 Sellers.

Poppyseed Tone of Market at Close— ..Steady.

Rapeseed. Calcutta Brown Canal Dec.-Jan.—Antwerp—43 6 ,,

Rapeseed. Yellow Cawnpore per 416 lbs 85 p. c. exship Dec.-Jan.—Antwerp—53 ,,

Rapeseed. Yellow Guzerat per 416 lbs 85 p. c. exship Dec.-Jan.—Antwerp— Nominal.

Rapeseed. Ferozepore canal bold ... ...

Do. Jamba Red .. ..

Rapeseed. Tone of Market at Close — ...Quiet.

Cotton Seed Bombay Parcels Dec-Jan.—Hull—£6-13-6

Cotton Tone of Market at Close— ...Quiet.

LONDON, Dec. 16.

WHEAT.

Wheat, Choice white Karachi Dec.-Jan.—London...37 3

Do. F A Q Red Karachi (per 492 lbs.) ...Dec.-Jan.—London .. Nominal.

Do. Club No 2 Dec.-Jan.—London... ,,

Do. Choice white Delhi Dec.-Jan.—London... ,,

Do. Tone of Market at Close Quiet.

Do. South Australian ... Jan.-Feb.—33

Do. Rozario Santa Fe.62 lbs. Jan.-Feb. No sellers.

Do. do. Tone of Market at Close— ......

Do. Red Graded American per central Liverpool Mar.h—7 2 1-4

Do. Afloat to U. K. ... .

Do. Stock at U S Ports ... .

Karachi Barley ...Aug.-Sept—London .. ..

LONDON, Dec. 16.

JAVA SUGAR.

Java Sugar 16-18 (Average 17) C.I.F. Calcutta Dec. ...11 Value.

Java Sugar 16 1 (Average 17) C.I.F. Calcutta Jan.-Mar...11 3 ,,

Java Sugar 16-18 (Average 17) Bombay or Karachi Dec. ..11 1 1-2 ,,

Java Sugar 16-18 (Average 17) Bombay or Karachi Jan.-March...11 4 1-2 ,,

Java Sugar 26 T. M. O. (or Similar) Calcutta Dec...12 ,,

Java Sugar 25 T. M. O. (or Similar) Calcutta Jan.-March ..12 3 ,,

Java Sugar 26 T. M. O. (or Similar) Bom. or Karachi Dec 12 1 1-2 ,,

Java Sugar 26 T. M. O. (or Similar) Bom. or Karachi Jan.-March. .12 4 1-2 ,,

Closing Tone of Market Quiet unchanged.

Special Feature ... ... do

LONDON, Dec. 16.

SUGAR.

German Beetroot 88 p. c. F.O.B., Hamburg Dec. ...9 Sellers.

German Beetroot 88 p. c. F. O. B., Hamburg May 9 4 3-4 ,,

German Beetroot Closing Tone of Market ... ...Quiet.

German Granulated C. and F. Calcutta (double Bags). Jan.-March ... . 13 4 1-2 ,,

German Granulated C. and F. Calcutta (double bags) ... .

German Closing Tone Market.. Quiet.

Austrian Crystals B. R. B. C. and F. Calcutta Jan.-Mar...11 8 1-4 ,,

Austrian Closing Tone of Market ... .. Quiet.

Mauritius Crystals Dec. .. ..

Mauritius Closing Tone of Market ... ...

E. A. R. and Similar Crystals C. and E. Calcutta (double bags)—Jan.-Mar. . 13 2 1-4 ,,

Do. Closing Tone of Market Quiet.

LONDON, Dec. 16.

METALS.

Copper, Standard G M B	...£65	0	0
,, Best English Selected	.£69	15	0
,, Braziers ...	...£81	0	0
,, Tone of Market	...Quiet.		
Hard Spelter ...	...£18	0	0
Tin Block F O B Liverpool	£175	0	0
Yellow Metal ...	... 6 13-16		
Galvd. Corrugated Sheets, 24 G. G. O. B 1 p.c. F O B L'pool ...	... 10 17	6	
Silver, Spot ...	... 26 5-8		
Silver 2 months hence ...	... 26 11-16		
,, Tone of Market ...	...Steady.		
,, Special Feature ...	... .		

LONDON, Dec. 16.

FINANCIAL.

Silver Spot	... 26 5-8
Silver 2 Months	... 26 11-16
Silver Closing Tone of Market	—Steady.
Silver Tendency, etc. of the Market	... .
Rentes 3 p. c....	...£ 85 7-8
Consols 2 1-2 p.c.ExDiv...	£ 71 11-16
Indian Stock 3 1-2 p. c....£	} 86
Sterling loan ...	...£
Govt. Securities 3 p. c.	...£ 75
Rupee Paper 3 1-2 p. c.	...£ 63 7-8
Bar Gold per oz. Sh	... 77'9
Opening Tone of Finance Market ...	... .
Closing Tone of Finance Market ...	... .
Bank of England Rate of Discount ...	... 5 p cent.
Exchange on India 30 Days Sight ...	... 1 3 7-8
London at Paris Fcs.	... 25'34
Berlin cheques on London Mks ...	... 20'48
New York (Demand Bills) dls ...	... 4'85 1-4
Interest day to day loans	4 3-8
Do. 7 days Market loans ...	... 4 1-2
Discount Bank Bills 3 months Sight	... 4 3-4
Discount Bank Bills 6 months Sight	... 4 7-16

Fine Trade Bills 3 months 5 3-8
Fine Trade Bills 6 months 5 3-8

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 17.

OPENING COTTON.

Days Estimated Sales : ...10,000 bales.
Tone of Market ...Steady
Cotton Daly Mid Uplands G. O. C. Liverpool.

Futures.	Latest closing	To-day's opening.
Dec-Jan.. ..	6'83	6'83
Jan.-Feb. ..	6'?2	6'84
Feb.-Mar....	6'84	6 84
Mar.-Apl ...	6 83	6'86
April-May...	6 85	6'85
May.-June..	6 84	6'84
June-July...	6'81	6 80
July-Aug...	6'77	6 76
Aug-Sept...	6'66	6'65

THE CENTRAL BANK OF INDIA LD.

The following is the statement of Liabilities and Assets of The Central Bank of India, Ld., for the week ended 15th Dec 1913

Liabilities.	15th Dec. Rupees.
Capital Subscribed Rs 30 lakhs.	
Capital Paid up ...	1500000
Reserve Fund ...	100000
Fixed Deposits and other sums due to the Bank ...	4'24000
Current Deposits ...	439000
Sundries ...	58 0
	63 1000

Assets.	
Cash Credits and Overdrafts on Government and other authorised securities	2344000
Loans on Government and other authorised securities ...	27?2000
Local Bills Discounted.	55000
Office Furniture and Fittings ...	26000
Sundries ...	480 0
Cash in hand and investments in Government Paper Port Trust Improvement Trust Municipal Bonds etc ...	997000
	6 210?0

HOME REMITTANCES.

The Treasury, Calcutta, December 13

The Weekly Memorandum of Remittances to the Home Treasury :—

Amount Estimated in the Financial Statement to be remitted during 191?-1? ...£ 21,650,000

Remitted from 1st April, 1913 to 13th Dec. 1913, by Council Bills ... £ 18,518,572

Balance to be remitted from 14th Dec. 1913 to 31st Mar 1914 ...£ 3,131,428

BOMBAY BANK AND STOCK LIST.

BANKS.

BANKS.	Amount.	Paid-up.	Last half-yearly Dividend.	Cash Rate
INDIAN BANKS				
Allahabad Bank Ld	100	100	18 p c	856
Alliance Bank of Simla Ld ...	100	100	14 ,,	284
Bank of Bombay ...	500	500	13 ,,	15 0
Bank of India ...	100	50	6 ,,	6?
Bank of Bengal ...	500	500	1? ,,	164
Bank of Madras ..	500	500	12 ,,	1440
Bank of Rangoon	100	100	7 ,,	90
Bank of Baroda ...	100	50	7 ,,	44
Credit Bank of India Ld ...	...	...	...	...
Punjab National Bank ...	100	100	9	170
The Bombay Merchants Bank Ld.	100		6?	3
EXCHANGE BANK.				
Chartered Bank ...	£20	£20	15 p c	£59
Eastern Bank ...	£10	£ 4	4 ,,	72
Mercantile Bank(a)	25	12- 0	8 ,,	£2?
Do. (b)	25	12-10	8 ,,	£21?
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation ...	d125	dl.125	£ 4	£80
National Bank of India ...	25	12½	12½ ,,	610

MISCELLANEOUS COMPANIES.

Alcock Ashdown and Co	100	100	5 p. c.	150
All India Ut. Co. Ld	100	20	5 ,,	15
Bamankua	10	10	..	3
Back Bay Bath ...	50	50	6 p. c.	35
Badham Pile	70	70	7 p. c.	92
Baroda Tram. Co...	100	100	4 p. c.	13
Bombay Burmah T. Corpn	125	125	15 p. c.	755
Bombay Electric S. and T. Co Ld..O.	£10	£10	5	194
Do. do P	£10	£10	6 p. c.	1.0
Bombay Ice Mfg	100	100	4 p. c.	18
Bombay Flour Mill	500	500	20	9.0
Bombay Land and Building	500	500	5 p. c	400
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THE TEST MATCH.

WON BY ENGLAND BY AN INNINGS AND 157 RUNS.

DURBAN, Dec. 17.

In the first test match England beat South Africa by an innings and 157 runs.

There was only fifty minutes' play on Tuesday, owing to rain. England made 450, of which Douglas contributed 119, and South Africa 111, Nourse hitting up 46.

Barnes took five wickets for 48 runs. —Reuter.

INDIAN GOLF.

THE CALCUTTA CHAMPIONSHIP MEETING.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

CALCUTTA, Dec. 17.

Fifty-five entries have been received for the Tollygunge Amateur Golf Championship to be held in Christmas week.

CRICKET AT RAJKOT.

A correspondent writes that the Maharaja of Patiala's team has brought a team to meet the Rajkot eleven. The fixture is attracting much interest.

RACING IN GERMANY.

Freiherr S. A. von Oppenheim stands at the head of the list of winning owners in Germany for the past season with the record total of 46,769 1-2 sovs won by twenty of his horses. Among them they secured fifty-four races. The Royal Graditz Stud, which headed the list from 1909 to 1912 (inclusive), has now had to be content with the fourth place (11,818 1-2 sovs). The Messrs. Von Weinberg finished second with an aggregate of 25,520 sovs, and Herr H. Haniel third with 20,114 sovs. Messrs. Von Weinberg's stable topped the list in 1902, and for four years running, from 1905 to 1908, according to a table published by *Deutscher Sport*.

REMARKABLE RUGBY SCORE.

What in all probability ranks as the record Rugby score of the season is reported from the North, and is credited to the Newcastle Royal Grammar School. Their achievement took the form of crossing the opposition's line on twenty-seven occasions, and as fifteen of the place-kicks were successful, the points aggregated 111. The victims were the Carlisle Grammar School, who failed to find time to score themselves.

AUSTRALASIA AND THE DAVIS CUP.

Australasia's next Davis Cup team will, says the *Daily Mail*, consist of Messrs. Brookes, Wilding, Dunlop, and another. Brookes and Dunlop join Wilding in England in March, with a view to getting plenty of preliminary practice with the best European players. This arrangement makes Australasians sanguine of retaining the trophy.

THE AMERICA CUP.

It is announced that Captain Chris Christiansen, recently master of Mr. Cornelius Vanderbilt's sloop Aurora, will probably be captain of the America Cup defender, which is to be built at the Herreshoff yards by the Vanderbilt Syndicate.

RUGBY INTERNATIONAL'S RETIREMENT.

W. Spiller, the Cardiff and Welsh Rugby international centre-three-quarter, has, it is understood, definitely retired from active participation in the game. Sergeant Spiller has been a useful member of Welsh "Rugger," and represented the Principality in 1910 against Scotland and Ireland; 1911, England, Scotland, Ireland, and France; 1912, England, France, and South Africa; and last season on the Cardiff Arms Park in the memorable game against England.

SEA ANGLERS' NOTABLE SPORT.

Good sport was obtained in the annual sea angling festival of the Deal and Walmer Angling Association, at Deal. A fine cod of 23lb. 9oz. was captured by Mr. W. Palmer, baiting with lug-worm, and Mr. A. Newton got one of about 11lb. Mr. Southcott took a big conger of 30lb., which gave some exciting sport. Nice-sized whiting and other fish were also secured. Over 1,000lb. of fish was caught.

LAWN TENNIS IN AUSTRALIA.

In the inter-state matches at Melbourne, the meeting between S. N. Doust and Norman Brookes provided a surprise, Doust winning with comparative ease. The score was 2—6, 6—2, and 6—4.

R. Walker, professional to the Southerndown Club, Glamorganshire, has been appointed professional to the Scarborough Club in succession to Arthur Day. Walker, who commences his new duties on January 1, was second in the Welsh Championship last year.

HOCKEY.

THE PROPOSED NEW ZEALAND TOUR.

That the proposed New Zealand hockey tour may yet take place, wrote Mr. E. A. C. Thomson in the *Pall Mall* in mail week, is now confirmed by the fact that the Hockey Association have issued a letter to a number of first-class players relative to the matter. The proposal is that a team should leave England at the end of next April. The voyage out will take about six weeks, and the stay in New Zealand will occupy another six weeks. The players, therefore, would be absent from England for about four and a half months, returning in September. Each player will be asked to contribute £100, which defrays all the steamship expenditure. The hotel and other incidental expenses would be paid by the New Zealand Hockey Association, for which a guarantee will probably be forthcoming.

Fifteen players will be sufficient to make the trip, and naturally everything wholly depends upon the nature of the replies from those to whom a provisional invitation has been extended. About fifty men have been communicated with, and a special committee meets early next month to discuss the whole question, and if the reports from players are favourable, and the necessary guarantees are confirmed by New Zealand, then the proposed tour may be ratified by the Hockey Association. Of course, there are many players who would not be disposed to contribute about £100 towards the trip. Besides the question of finance, the playing ability has also to be seriously considered, as the New Zealanders are fairly good at hockey and as "tests" will be compulsory, it would not do to weaken the prestige of English hockey by despatching a mere skeleton of a side to be badly defeated. If the suggested tour materialises, it will give a fillip to the game, which is growing rapidly in New Zealand. Australia, presumably, would not be visited. Mr. Stratton, the Kingston Hill full back, who has lived in that colony for about seven years, says the game is quite in its infancy, and that an ordinary club team might easily defeat the strongest side New South Wales could pit against it.

BOXING NEWS AND NOTES.

PROMISING FORM OF CAMBRIDGE NOVICES.

Boxing was a favourite pastime at Oxford and Cambridge long before the revival of the Inter-Varsity contests in 1897. Since that date it has grown in general favour amazingly. There is no more popular sport at the Universities to-day than "the noble art." The respective clubs' periodical competitions attract very large and representative gatherings.

High promise was shown by some of the Cambridge Novices and Freshmen this year. They included three public school champions: B.L. Mackay (heavyweight), A. M. McColl (feather-weight), and C. A. B. Elliott (light-weight). All three are Old Cliftonians. McColl especially ought to go far. Others likely to improve with more experience are S. C. Gobo (from Calcutta), N. D. I. Gavin (Haileybury), A. De Sousa (who beat Elliott), and F. M. Fry (Harrow). The boxing, on the whole, was distinctly above the average for junior men.

LANGFORD AND JEANNETTE TO MEET.

M. Theodore Vienne, the director of the Society for the Propagation of English Boxing in France, in a letter to the papers explains why he is organizing a match between Sam Langford and Joe Jeannette for the world's heavy-weight championship, and replies to the criticisms made regarding the match.

M Vienne declares that it is inadmissible for Jack Johnson to retain the title when he refuses to defend it, although he has been offered the usual terms with respect to gate-money, with as much as £6,000 guaranteed.

M. Vienne further announces that he is prepared to pit the winner of the Langford-Jeannette match against any qualified boxer, including Jack Johnson, if the latter is sincerely desirous of retaining the title.

CONTESTS IN FRANCE.

Three interesting boxing matches were decided in mail week in Paris. The first, a six rounds contest between two Frenchmen, Lepreux and Mario, of Marseilles, resulted in a win for the former on points. In the second, a ten rounds match between Otto Flint, the champion of Germany, and Beckendt, the French champion of the department of Nord, the Frenchman gave up in the fourth round. The third match, a ten rounds contest between the Frenchman Ko Marchand, and Battling Robinson, an American negro, ended in a win for France, Robinson receiving a knockout blow in the fifth round.

VICTORY FOR FRENCH FEATHER-WEIGHT CHAMPION.

At the Salle Wagram Louis de Ponihier, the French official light-weight champion, defeated his challenger, Gaston Clement. In the fifth round Ponihier knocked his adversary down, but was himself sent down subsequently. Clement maintained a vigorous defence, but in the seventeenth round the referee stopped the fight and awarded the verdict to the Frenchman.

IN AMERICA.

A WIN FOR FREDDIE WELSH.

In a ten-round contest in New York Freddie Welsh outfought and outboxed Phil Bloom.

Joe Rivers, the Mexican boxer, defeated Leach Cross on points in a twenty-round boxing contest at Los Angelles. Rivers led all the way, and sent down Cross twice for counts of nine. Cross was weak towards the end of the match.

THE PARI-MUTUEL.

THE SYSTEM ON FRENCH RACECOURSES.

ADVANTAGES OF THE OPEN MARKET.

The Steeplechase Society of France have appointed M. Albert Eck as their secretary in the place of the late M. J. Lallement. This appointment, says the Paris correspondent of the *Sporting Life*, came almost as a matter of course, for M. Eck has been acting as assistant-secretary for many years, and during M. Lallement's illness, he discharged all the duties of the office. M. Gonel now becomes assistant-secretary, and M. Sommesous has been appointed treasurer in the place of M. de Lestang, lately deceased. M. Lallement was a personality in the world of sport, and his name must have been almost as familiar as that of your Mr. Weatherby to owners and trainers who have engaged horses during the past quarter of a century in the big races at Auteuil.

We have had lately a visit, adds the correspondent, from some of the American authorities desirous of ascertaining how the pari-mutuel system is worked on the French racecourses, and it is stated here that when racing is re-established in the New York district, betting is only to be permitted by means of the totalisateur. Unfortunately, a number of abuses have crept in under the present slipshod methods on the big racecourses, and on Sundays at Longchamps and Auteuil the public on the pelouse has little or no protection against swindlers.

In the crowds that besiege the guichets where tickets are issued or paid, pickpockets are always busy, while all manner of frauds have been attempted by men who print forged tickets. The scenes on the days of the Grand Prix, the Steeplechase de Paris, and the Prix du Conseil Municipal were this year disgraceful, and if the pari-mutuel is to be introduced into America, the organization will have to be greatly improved.

The system of the open market or ring which prevails in England has many advantages, and is greatly in favour of regular racegoers. In France, whenever the pari-mutuel returns a long-priced winner, a "great to-do" is made over the fact, but it should be remembered that the people who back the outsiders are few in comparison with those who put their money on horses that have some form or reputation to recommend them.

The backers of favourites do much better in England than in France, and as a rule are able to get longer prices. The favourites that won at Auteuil on Sunday were returned at 5 to 4, 10 to 6 on, and 2 to 1, and among the beaten horses we had a 5 to 4 chance and a couple of 2 to 1 chances. For jumping races you must admit these results do do not show much profit to backers.

S. P. BETTING IN PARIS.

The object of legislation on the subject of betting in France, England, and America seems to be to drive speculators on to the racecourses and to restrict the business done away from the course at starting prices, but a plan has been evolved in Paris for evading the penalties set forth in Ministerial decrees. On most of the races here betting is "supposed" to take place in Switzerland and Austria, and agents are to be found at most of the cafes who profess to be able to put your money on in Vienna or Lucerne, while the advertisements of "Turf-Unions" and "Sport-Unions" at foreign places are publicly printed.

During the winter season especially a large amount of starting-price business is done in Paris, for there are many people who prefer to bet on the jumping races, and are prevented by the weather or by their occupations from attending the races personally.

RACEHORSE OWNER AT 93.

Mr. James B. Haggin, of New York, California, and Kentucky, at the great age of ninety-three, has decided to re-enter racing. He has, (says a correspondent of the *Sportsman*) bought the noted racer Ballot, winner of American and English stakes, by Voter out of Sorrento, from Mr. John E. Madden, of Lexington, Ky., for 50,000 dollars, and from Mr. Barney Schreiber, of Spring Valley, Mo., the imported English stallion Sain for 5,000 dollars.

Both of these famous horses will be placed at Elmendorf Farm, at Lexington, Ky., where three years ago Mr. Haggin had nearly 1,000 thoroughbred stallions, mares, and colts. Mr. Haggin plans to re-enter the sport on a large scale. He formerly was the most extensive horse breeder in America but sold all his horses to English, German, and Argentine Turfmen.

EPSOM RACECOURSE.

In consequence of the lack of accommodation the Epsom Grand Stand Association are carrying out important alterations to their premises in the near future. A new building to contain five large luncheon-rooms (the largest 48ft. by 26ft. 9in.) is to be erected in the yard at the back of the Grand Stand. This new building, which is designed by Mr. A.C. Williams, a local architect, will be of brick, and four stories high. It is estimated to cost between £10,000 and £12,000, and will be connected with the Grand Stand by a bridge.

IRISH GOLF CHAMPION COMING TO ENGLAND.

Michael Moran, the professional to the Royal Dublin Golf Club, Dollymount, is leaving Ireland to start in January, an appointment with the Wearside Club, Sunderland. With the migration of Moran to England, Ireland will lose her strongest professional. He has won the Irish professional championship for the last five years.

Prince Arthur of Connaught has consented to become patron of the London and Provincial Collie Society.

The Royal Lancashire Show next year will be held at Liverpool on July 30 and 31 and August 1 and 3. The society this year has made a profit of £1,373.

TEA PARTY AT THE AGE OF 105.

THE CAPTAIN AND THE SUGAR CAKE.

Captain David Jackson celebrated his 105th birthday in mail week by entertaining a party of patriarchs at tea at the Tooting Home, where he has lived since his hundredth birthday.

On his right sat Mr William Rendle, aged ninety-seven, and next in order of years was Mr. Rakham, eighty-nine. Then came the "youngsters," ranging from seventy-two to eighty-six, the combined ages of the party amounting to 687 years.

No man was so erect in bearing as the old sea captain; no beard so white and long as his; no eye so clear, and no one ate so much of the birthday cake, shimmering with icing sugar. But, like schoolboys, they had to eat the bread and butter first. Old William, aged ninety-seven, got through his portion first and cried "Cut the cake, cap'n!" William got the first slice. On account of seniority as host, David came last. He had just begun when William had finished the sugary part, which he ate last. But David showed his superior appetite, for when his guests had pushed their plates away, he was still munching steadily.

And afterwards a pipe of shag. "That's what keeps me alive," said the captain. "I've smoked all day all my life, but no drink, though I used to allow the lads rum, for I always says, 'Every man to his liking,' and maybe there's some has reached old age on rum, like me on baccy." The authorities at the home have no proof of the captain's age. He has a daughter aged seventy-six. "My mother," said the captain, "told me I was born on November 20, 1808."

ROMANCE AND A RING.

GUTTER FIND AND STARVING VI-COUNT.

Romance revealed itself in a Paris police station recently, when a young man, in tattered clothes, with his left arm in a sling, yet possessing the manners of a gentleman, brought to the inspector of the station of the Rue Reaumur a gold ring set with pearls, which he had found lying in the gutter.

He was asked for his papers of identity for the purposes of the police report on the find. With some hesitation he drew them from an inner pocket of his ragged coat.

As he read them the inspector uttered an exclamation of surprise, for he found that the name of the pale, hungry, wretched youth before him was the Vicomte Geslin de Bourgogne, son of the General de Bourgogne, who held a high command in the French army twelve years ago.

Pressed to tell his story, the young man said that his father had died leaving fourteen children to divide between them the extremely small fortune that he left behind him. He himself had passed through the cavalry school of Saumur to take a commission in the army, but a motoring accident had left him with a paralised arm, which had destroyed his hopes of a career. He had fallen into poverty, and not wishing to appeal to the charity of his friends, is now living in almost utter destitution in a garret which he shares with three others in an obscure part of Paris.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEERS.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

Regimental Orders by Lieut.-Col the Hon. A. Hill Trevor Commanding.

Bombay, 17th December, 1913.

332 Parade.—Wednesday 17th instant, Squad Drill and Rifle; Exercises at 7 p.m. at Head Quarters under Section Commanders.

Dress—Plain Clothes.

333 Parade—Saturday 20th instant, Nos. 1 & 2 Companies Gun drill and Instruction in D. R. F. at Colaba North Battery.

Parade at Colaba Station at 5-5 p.m.

Cyclists will proceed direct to Battery.

Dress.—Khaki and Caps.

334 Musketry.—The Range at Ghat Kopar is allotted to the Corps on Sunday next the 21st inst. for Class Firing; It is hoped that as many Members a possible will turn out and Complete their Class Firing.

Spare Rifles will be issued on the Range.

1st Train leaves as under.—

Colaba at 5-35 a.m.

Victoria Terminus at 6-10 a.m.

Members may leave Bombay by any train provided they arrive at Ghat Kopar by 10-30 a.m.

(Sd). E. P. OUDLIP, Captain, R.A., Adjutant, B. V. A.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

Regimental Orders By The Hon. Colonel R. W. L. Dunlop, C. I. E., V. D, Commanding.

Bombay, 18th December, 1913.

1386. Proficiency Class.—A Proficiency Class will be held on Monday the 5th January 1914 at 7 p. m. at Head-Quarters, Council Road.

1387. Camp of Instruction.—It is notified for information that the Annual Training Camp will be held at Santa Cruz, from 31st January to 7th February, 1914.

1388. Musketry.—The Range at Ghat Kopar is allotted for Class Firing as follows:—Members firing parts I and II must bring their bayonets.

"G" Coy on Saturday the 20th instant. (Afternoon. Train leaves Victoria Terminus 2-50 p.m.)

"S" Coy on Sunday the 21st instant.

"A" Coy on Tuesday the 23rd instant.

1389. Enrolment—The undernamed having been enrolled is taken on the strength of the Corps and posted to "G" Company:—

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(Sd.) F. H. JAMES, Capt. Adjutant, B.V.R.

BOMBAY LIGHT HORSE.

Squadron Orders by Lieut.-Col. Sir Henry Procter, A.D.C., Commanding.

Bombay, 18th December, 1913.

1. Riding School for Recruits and members of the Corps daily from 7-30 a.m.

Dress—Mufti.

2. The Range at Santa Cruz is allotted to "G" Troop for Class Firing this week end. Train leaves Church Gate Station on Saturday afternoon at 3-10 p. m., and Sunday morning at 7-5 a.m.

(Signed) D. W. WILSON, Lieut., Actg. Adjutant, Bombay Light Horse.

Sheik Chinabhoy Pairaj, the celebrated Lohana philanthropist has been unanimously elected president of the Third Lohana Conference, which is to be held on December 31st, and the two subsequent days, at Karachi, in the place of Rao Bahadur Currumsee Damjee, who has resigned on account of ill health.

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THE PLAGUE OF VERBOSITY.

THE announcement that the Government of Bombay declines to modify the time limit in operation in the Legislative Council will secure general, though not universal, approval. The decision no doubt will be resented by certain loquacious gentlemen, who labour under the delusion that because they are charmed by the sound of their own voices the world at large is equally entranced. In recent years there has been witnessed in various countries a revolt against the plague of verbosity. Assemblies which enjoy a reputation for the prolixity of their debates usually enjoy a reputation for nothing else. The Legislatures of the leading countries have, accordingly, found it necessary to protect themselves against superfluous oratory, in order that they may carry on the business of the nations they represent. The licence of speech which prevailed in the House of Commons prior to 1882 threatened to paralyse the proceedings of Parliament. This, indeed, was the end at which the Irish Party of the day aimed. The average Irish politician has a certain gift of oratory, but it was political reasons and not a love of oratorical display that led Mr. Parnell and his followers to reduce the Mother of Parliament to a state of impotence. When Mr. Gladstone introduced the closure in the session of 1882, his proposals were vehemently opposed on the ground that the closure was a French invention, and that its operation would substitute a *regime* of tyranny for the freedom which the House had hitherto enjoyed. There were honourable Members, no doubt, who imagined that liberty would totter on her throne if they were prevented from inflicting interminable speeches on unwilling listeners. But the value of the closure is now universally admitted. It has proved of the greatest service in preventing the undue prolongation of debates, and although the House of Commons has not yet accepted the time limit, proposals which have been put forward to curtail the prolixity of individual members have received influential support. That the public at Home are growing weary of verbose discussions is amply proved by the tendency of popular newspapers to curtail their Parliamentary reports. It is, of course, necessary for a great political leader to deliver from time to time speeches of considerable length. Mr. Asquith, however, has shown how a speech which is brief, as modern speeches go, can be telling and effective, and there is no doubt that his clear-cut sentences, his logical reasoning and his well-chosen words represent the style of speaking that is most appreciated by a nation which believes in action rather than in talk. There are many public men who have attained notoriety by their volubility, but when their record is examined it is often found that they have contributed nothing but empty words to the common good. The revolt against verbosity is unquestionably a sign of progress and it may be hoped that it will gain ground in India. Citizens are to be found who have rendered great service to their country without ever having delivered a public speech, and conversely many a man has expended a large portion of his time in oratorical displays without adding in any practical degree to the public welfare. It has, indeed, been charged against Bengal that there is no Province in India where oratory is so abundant and social service so exiguous in its extent.

THE INDISCRETION OF THE BISHOP. EVERY one must respect the high motives which animated the Bishop of Madras when he delivered his speech on the South African situation at a public meeting on Monday. But it is necessary once more to call attention to the fact that a sense of responsibility is the need of the moment in India. Dr. Whitehead expressed his gratitude to Lord Hardinge for having declared his sympathy with the resistance of the law in South Africa. For his own part, he said, he would shrink from saying anything that might even seem to encourage resistance to the law, but he proceeded to declare that Indians in South Africa are now resisting not law but tyranny. At a later stage Dr. Whitehead observed that it was all very well for the South African Government to say: "We cannot consider your grievances till you cease your resistance to the law." "Indians," he proceeded, "can say with far more reason that we will cease resistance to your laws when you cease to make them instruments of oppression." It appears to be forgotten that the principles which guide public conduct are the same in South Africa as they are in India, and that in this country within the past few years it has been considered necessary to pass special legislation in order to cope with the advocates of resistance to the law whose argument, like Dr. Whitehead's, is that law is tyranny. The fact that the Indians in South Africa have a strong case against the Union Government affords no justification for the deplorable tactics with which we are now becoming familiar.

WIRELESS ON TRAINS. SOME highly interesting experiments with wireless telegraphy on trains have recently been conducted on the Lackawanna Railroad in the United States. In countries where railway routes are very long and stations are far between the use of wireless may possess great possibilities. It will enable, it is claimed, those in charge of trains to keep in touch with signalling centres, so that, in case of accidents, calls for help, or warnings, messages can be sent. A train on the Lackawanna route was installed with wireless. It was running at 50 miles an hour when a conductor fell ill. In the ordinary course of things considerable delay would have been necessitated in getting a substitute when the train arrived at the next station. As it was, a wireless message was immediately sent ahead, and when the train arrived at the station another conductor was waiting to take the sick man's place, the train being therefore able to proceed without delay. Loss of time was also obviated further along the route when word was sent to the next station that an extra carriage would be required. The carriage was ready when the train steamed in and delay was consequently prevented. It is stated by those who made the experiments that the rails can be used for ground wires and the train's ordinary lighting dynamos for the current. In the case of the Lackawanna line, the apparatus was installed in the forward part of the train, and an aerial, consisting of four wire rectangles, supported by stanchions two feet high, was placed on the top of each carraige. The speed of trains is said not to interfere with the receipt or despatch of messages. Mr. L. B. Foley, Superintendent of American Telegraphs, who was on board the wireless-equipped train when the trials were made, predicts that the day is not far distant when every train and railway system in the world will be so fitted. Wireless telegraphy, he declares, will revolutionise railway working, "because its installation on trains will make the safety and convenience for the travelling public 100 per cent. greater than they are to-day." Wireless certainly has revolutionised the conditions of sea travel, and it is now claimed that it should be of inestimable value in railway locomotion under the conditions described.

Non-officials of Lahore, Indian and European, will give a farewell entertainment to Sir Arthur Reid, the retiring Chief Judge, and Lady Reid, on January 19th.

Preliminary work is proceeding in the new cantonment at Delhi. Service roads and a light railway are being laid down, linked with those in the area on which the Imperial capital will be built. The lines for one regiment of Indian infantry will be taken in hand very shortly.

Notes of the Day.

Calcutta has now a corps of Girl Guides. The Girl Guides' movement is one somewhat on the lines of the Boy Scouts, its main idea being to build up a girl's character by teaching her games of observation and discipline. There is a certain amount of drill, and the Guide is also taught to cook and to perform other domestic duties. Special badges are given for proficiency in a number of subjects, including music, drawing, and most important of all, the nursing of children and matronship, that is the art of managing a house and servants.

Notwithstanding the increasing popularity of motor-cars, both for pleasure and commercial purposes, the demand for Australian horses, it is stated, is as great as ever. For animals of the "remount" type this is particularly the case, although since the South African war the army horse has doubled its value. Prices for heavy farm horses are higher than they have been for many years; in Victoria and in South Wales good animals find a ready market at prices ranging from £30 to £50.

New light was thrown on the drug habit by a police court prosecution which came before the Birmingham magistrates in mail week. A firm was summoned for selling snuff containing over two per cent. of cocaine, without labelling it "Poison." It was said that the snuff was sold in neighbouring districts by publicans and tobacconists, and men thereby contracted the cocaine habit so that some had been discharged from their employment. Another assertion was to the effect that the habit was "attended with all the horrors of the opium habit." It seems evident that strong measures are required in England as well as in India to deal with the traffic in cocaine.

Mr. Harry Mallaby Deeley, who has just completed a record purchase by buying the Convent Garden estate, is well-known as a politician and a golfer. He gained valuable experience as assistant secretary to Mr. Chaplin and his platform style is lucid and effective. He has represented Harrow as a Unionist since 1910. Mr. Deeley is chairman of Prince's Golf Club, Mitcham, and of Prince's Golf Club, Sandwich, and, having one of his residences at Mitcham, he is a conservator of Mitcham Common. He is a director of the Norwich Union Life Insurance and a lord of two manors. The Duke of Bedford, the former owner of the property, owns altogether some 64,000 acres.

Dr. H. Bayon, who is the research bacteriologist to the Government of South Africa, is urging the British Government to endeavour to get rid of leprosy by a system of universal registration and segregation, accompanied by measures for proper treatment and care. Dr. Bayon points out that at present twenty-five to fifty lepers are known to be living in England, but only one of them acquired the disease in the United Kingdom. The simple precautions which they are able to adopt, in order to keep themselves separated from their fellows, is sufficient to prevent contagion. Dr. Bayon asserts that the number of lepers in India has increased from 100,000 to 110,000 in ten years, while in Basutoland cases have increased in 25 years from 300 to 800 or 900.

Under the heading "Bullets or Babies?" a London contemporary publishes a letter from Lady Barlow drawing attention to what is described as an unhappy anomaly in the new Admiralty Arch. Lady Barlow says that the great masters of the Middle Ages, when they wanted to typify an ideal, depicted time after time a mother with her child, and then she adds: "My readers will hardly credit the fact, though true it is, that if anyone turns out of Trafalgar-square, passes under the Arch, and notices the group of sculpture on his left hand, this is what he will find: A beautiful woman, the typical classic matron, of noble proportions and Juno-like form, holding tenderly in a maternal embrace, pressed to her breast—a cannon. What a grim satire is this?"

Mr. Claude Hill gave a lengthy but very lucid explanation yesterday of the Town Planning Bill, which is expected to do so much service in providing Bombay with beautiful and healthy suburbs. He thoroughly deserved the high compliment which was paid him by Sir Pherozeshah Metha, who spoke principally for the Indian members. The remaining business was unimportant, but it produced one amusing incident. One member who about half an hour before the adjournment revived the familiar resolution regarding Modi script, plaintively remarked that he did not think there was sufficient time in which to discuss the subject. He then proceeded to consult some of his colleagues behind him as to whether it should be postponed. His Excellency drily remarked that he was in charge of the meeting, and when he had directed an hon. member to move a resolution, it was scarcely the correct thing for him to consult other members as to whether he should do so. On this fashion, member withdrew the resolution.

NOTES ON INDIAN INTERESTS.

THOUGHTS BY A NATIVE THINKER.

THE IRRECONCILABLE. The Indian revolutionary is a sorry creature. He is hopelessly irreconcilable to British rule, and to all that it signifies and that makes life worth living. He is opposed to law and order, peace and progress. He is violent and sanguinary, without any reason and without any object worth seeking. He aims at destruction and disruption, and if he were to gain his end, the inevitable result would be chaos, misrule, and confusion. While the hearts of the millions are with the Government, while the people know full well that their interests and welfare are bound up with the British rule, anarchism can make no impression. But it can do mischief. It may shed innocent blood. It may stir up universal horror and indignation by aiming at the life of an exalted personage. Exasperated by the antipathy of the population, it has resorted to methods of terrorism, and has, of late, been busy forwarding by post letters containing an explosive substance. The revolutionaries have been sending these missives mostly to their own countrymen, and Sir Pherozeshah M. Mehta, Dr. Rash Behari Ghose, Mr. G. K. Gokhale and Mr. Surendranath Banerjea have been among the objects of their attentions. They are told to give up all connection with the Government and its institutions, to foreswear their titles and distinctions, and work with the terrorists for their common destruction; for that would be the only tangible result of their endeavours. They must withdraw, forthwith, not only from municipal bodies and Legislative Councils, but also from the National Congress. For the band of irreconcilables Orator Surendranath may thunder in vain from the Congress platform. That the hero of the market-place, the darling of the student world in particular, the master of thumping, strident rhetoric comprising, however, some redeeming features, should be proscribed and proclaimed by some of his own compatriots! That some of the very people for whom he has fought and bled, metaphorically, all his life, should turn against him, and threaten to blow him up if he did not cease talking, and join them in their deeds of darkness! At this rate, we should not be surprised, if even Mr. Bepin Chandra Pal were to receive one of these days an explosive missive. The saddest part of the whole affair is that so many of these miscreants have baffled the ingenuity of the police and eluded justice. The assailant of Lord Hardinge is still at large. If the Indian police is not quite equal to the task of unearthing the brood and hunting them down, it may be profitable to import exceptional talent from abroad.

OTHERS OF THE SPECIES. There is another set of crazy creatures belonging to the same species as the anarchist but not so actively violent, that imagine that the East has nothing to learn from the West, and everything to teach, that the ancient civilization and wisdom of India are all-sufficing and ever-enduring, and that they might only be contaminated by Western polish. While India is jubilant over the Nobel Prize awarded to the Bengali poet, Rabindranath Tagore, they are rather sorry that he should have condescended to accept it. In this spirit of self-adulation and delusion the Kalighat People's Association have passed a curious resolution felicitating Mr. Tagore on the distinction. It affirms that "the Rabi (sun) of India has now dispelled the darkness and ignorance from the face of the West," and that "the West has bowed its head in admiration and made it court the love of India." The prize having previously gone to Rudyard Kipling, the Association has marked its displeasure at the very idea of the two poets being thus, in a way, bracketted together. Indians do not love the kind of Imperialism propagated by Mr. Kipling. But it is the extreme of prejudice to suppose that the distinction has been tarnished, and has suffered abatement, on account of its having been conferred on Mr. Kipling. Had the judges for the award of the Nobel Prize been influenced by any motive of racial or other prejudice, their choice would not have fallen on a Bengalee.

WESTERN EDUCATION AND DISCONTENT. There are men, happily very few, who trace all this trouble arising from restlessness and discontent to Western education. They have inveighed against Macaulay for having introduced it into India. They declare that if the people had been confined to Oriental learning, if the Government had contented itself with the manufacture of Pandits and Ulemas, instead of B.A.s and M.A.s, the people would have been innocent of the arts of modern agitation; they would not have been stirred by ambitions and aspirations, legitimate or otherwise; they would not have produced moderates or extremists, culminating in the band of revolutionaries and anarchists. I can never agree with these critics. The mission of Great Britain in India, we are told, is providential. It is to improve the moral and material condition of the people, to promote their welfare and advancement. Western education was the best and only means to this end, and we cannot be too grateful to our rulers for having brought this invaluable gift to us. As I love to observe, and have remarked before, it is twice blessed,—it blesseth him that gives, and him that receives. If it had been denied in the fear that in its remote and indirect effect it might produce some monstrosities, with a diseased imagination, it would be an argument for prohibiting education and shutting out light from every where. But, as Sir Guy Fleetwood Wilson observed in his farewell speech, shortly before he left India, we want in this country light, more light, and yet more light, and we are glad that the Government have been moving towards the same end. Darkness is not to be welcomed, because it might dispel restlessness and ambition. It might as well be argued that the strikes of the working classes in Europe, and the promotion of Socialism and Syndicalism, being the outcome of mass education, it should therefore be withheld from the people.

HIGHER EDUCATION THROUGH THE VERNACULARS. English education is opposed by some good folk on other grounds. They say that the acquisition of a difficult foreign tongue takes some years, but that the time might be employed much more profitably if higher education were imparted through the medium of the vernaculars. This opinion was advanced recently by an Anglo-Indian gentleman in a lecture at the East India Association, and it is shared by some of my own countrymen. In the first place, there are practical difficulties in the way which render the fulfilment of this idea next to impossible. There is quite a Babel of tongues in India, with its 275 vernaculars. Even if about a dozen of the principal languages were selected as the medium for imparting Western learning, there would yet be left some millions to whom these chosen vernaculars would virtually be like a foreign tongue. And then what a stupendous task will be before the State, the translation of representative works in science, and art and literature! The best of our vernaculars are imperfectly equipped for the translation of scientific and technical works, and as for poetry, drama and pure literature, their presentation in a strange, outlandish, garb will deprive them of their subtle charm and grace, their very life and soul. Their essential quality being lost, they will be flat, and stale, and scarcely profitable. Shakespeare, Shelley and Wordsworth, and indeed, all authors in the higher departments of literature, will lose much of their pith and substance, all their body and flavour, all the undefinable charm which dwells in the original. We should miss the spirit of the West in these dull translations, as, at the very best, they would be dull. Those of us to whom English literature is our daily solace and nourishment, who hold it as the best instrument of refinement and culture, the best medium for the formation of character, can never bear the idea of relapsing into the barbarism of our indigenous tongues, most of which have very little literature to speak of, and will afford but a very sorry medium for conveying to us the spirit of the West and the charm of its literature and learning. We, who have been worshipping at the shrine of the supreme divinity, will never transfer our adoration to false gods, or to gods of much inferior merit. If we speak with warmth on this subject, it is because we shrink from the idea of depriving our people of the one potent instrument of civilization, refinement and union which is supplied by English education.

PRINCE AND MINISTER. The Maharaja of Indore has married a second time, his first wife being alive. Princes are privileged persons. The people have been so accustomed to the time-honoured institution that it never jars upon their sense of propriety. The times now are fast changing. The younger generation of Indian Chiefs are all educated, more or less, and enlightened, and the educated classes expect them to conform to the matrimonial law which governs the civilized world. There are princes, like the Gaekwar of Baroda, who are strictly monogamous. But their number is still very small and the Maharaja of Indore has just followed the example of the majority of his brethren in purple. His marriage has, however, attracted the special notice of the vernacular press, and has evoked emphatic criticisms from its advanced section, because the Prince has for his Minister, Sir Narayan Chandavarker, the apostle and champion of social reform, who has borne the heat and burden of the day in its active propoganda. I can not join the critics in holding the Minister even remotely responsible for a social act of his master in his private capacity. He can do no more than advise his master, and this, too, he can only do without being officious or obtrusive. It does not fall within his proper functions to be a censor of the private life of the Maharaja. His business it is to administer the affairs of the State, and if he may count upon the sympathy and co-operation of the Chief in the reforms he may propose, he should go on performing his work. He would have been curiously hyper-sensitive if he had so far misunderstood his duty as to throw up his appointment, because his master was not exactly after his own social pattern. He would have shown a deplorable lack of firm and virile character, if surrendering himself weakly to emotional sentiment, he had resigned his high office.

DION.

MASONRY IN THE U. P.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS.]
ALLAHABAD, Dec. 17.

Last evening, Sir James Meston attended a Masonic meeting of Lodge "Independence with Philanthropy," and assisted in the installation of Major Tahourdin in the Eastern Chair. There was a banquet later in the evening.

INDUSTRIAL CONFERENCE.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS.]
KARACHI, Dec. 17.

The Karachi Chamber of Commerce will send delegates to the Indian Industrial Conference in Karachi on the 30th instant.

JAVA RUMOURS.

REPORTS OF DISTURBANCES DENIED.

Messrs. Thos. Cook and Son write that they have received from their Agents in Java definite information regarding he disturbances which rumour stated were taking place among the natives of Java and the adjoining islands. It appears that there was no foundation for the reports recently in circulation, and Messrs. Thos. Cook and Son's Agents say that the only reason they can think of for the circulation of these reports is that at certain periods of the year religious festivals take place and these are celebrated by the Javanese in the usual eastern fashion. Messrs. Thos. Cook and Son's Agents think that there is absolutely no reason whatsoever against travellers entering Java and the adjoining islands; in fact they say that the situation is and has been for some years quite of a normal character.

BALKAN PROBLEMS.

AUSTRO-ITALIAN ATTITUDE.

THE QUESTION OF THE ADRIATIC.

EMPHATIC STATEMENT BY SAN GUILIANO.

ROME, Dec. 17.

In the Chamber of Deputies to-day the Marquis di San Giuliano Foreign Minister, said that the problem of the southern frontier of Albania was of vital importance to Italy and Austria, who were determined to co-operate to preserve the equilibrium of, and freedom in, the Adriatic. There was reason to believe that their demand would be realised without serious complications in view of the conciliatory spirit of the Powers.

Referring to the Ægean Islands, he said Italy adhered to the principle that no great Power ought to secure territorial advantages out of the Balkan crisis to maintain the balance of power in the Mediterranean. Turkey must be maintained intact and strong. The Marquis di San Giuliano later dwelt on the excellence of the relations between Italy, France, and Great Britain.—Reuter.

OLDHAM MURDER SEQUEL.

AMAZING SCENES AT AN EXECUTION.

LONDON, Dec. 17.

There were remarkable scenes yesterday evening at Oldham, where a crowd of 30,000 persons, angered at the refusal of Mr. McKenna to receive a deputation to urge the reprieve of the murderer of a bookseller of Oldham, stoned the police who attempted to disperse them, and smashed windows. Many arrests were made.

LATER.

A vast concourse walked seven miles to Manchester prison to the execution. A strong force of police cleared the surrounding streets.

The murderer died without flinching.—Reuter.

[The *Times* (of July 28) had the following report of the murder :—

About 3 o'clock yesterday morning a watchman discovered that D. W. Bardsley, 54, a bookseller and stationer, carrying on business in Yorkshire-street, Oldham, near the Town Hall, had been murdered. Bardsley tenanted a lock-up shop and was unmarried. He lived in Egerton-street, and it was his custom to take home each night the day's takings from the cash register. His female assistants left him in the shop at 10-15 on Saturday night. When the body was found the sides of the head had been broken in, and an Indian club was lying close by. No money was found in hispossession and the cash register was empty. A youth of 18, who was employed by Bardsley, has been detained, and has stated that he went to the shop on Saturday night and knocked at the back door. Bardsly called out, "Who is there?" and he replied, "It's me. I have come for something." The door was opened and he and another man, a stranger, entered. The stranger then struck Bardsley on each side of the face, felling him to the ground. The youth, according to this statement, said, "T at will do," and the stranger repliedh "We might as well finish him now." None of the missing money has been found.]

THE LEEDS STRIKE.

DEFEATED BY THE SPIRIT OF CITIZENSHIP.

LONDON, Dec. 16.

The Leeds strike is collapsing before an ardent spirit of citizenship. There are now more volunteers than can be utilised.

The tramwaymen and gas-workers resumed work to-day. Everywhere the strikers are returning, fearing that they will permanently lose their posts.

Christmas business and shopping has been practically normal, thanks to the volunteers' work, which is described as the greatest object-lesson that has been given in strikes.—Reuter.

BOER WOMEN'S MONUMENT.

IMPRESSIVE CEREMONY AT BLOEMFONTEIN.

BLOEMFONTEIN, Dec. 16.

The wife of ex-President Steyn today unveiled a monument to the Boer women and children who perished in the South African war. A huge concourse of burghers with their wives and children were camping out in the open. Impressive speeches were made by Mr. Steyn, General Botha, General de Wet and General Delarey. The burghers fired a salute and sounded the "Last Post."

Mr. Steyn emphasised the fact that the memorial was not erected to cause anyone pain, but out of simple piety. He foresaw the day when every section of the South African people would be inspired with a true South African spirit and would regard the virtues commemorated in the memorial as a common heritage.

General Botha said it was their duty not to feel bitterness and hatred. They should, however teach their children to be worthy of such mothers, recalling President Kruger's advice to examine the past, take from it all that was beautiful and thereon create the future.—Reuter.

A LONDON LOAN.

LONDON, Dec. 17.

The Port of London Authority has issued a 4 per cent one million loan, the price being 93.—Reuter.

POLITICS AT HOME.

CABINET AND HOME RULE BILL.

INTERESTING REPORT BY A LIBERAL PAPER.

LONDON, Dec. 17.

The *Daily Chronicle* states that the Cabinet has practically decided to eliminate from the Home Rule Bill the provision which transfers the Post Office to the Irish Parliament, thus clearing the way for Home Rule all round.—Reuter.

LONG CABINET MEETINGS.

LONDON, Dec. 16.

The series of prolonged Cabinets this week has aroused much comment. It is stated that the question of expenditure on armaments, Budget problems and the question of the inclusion of the taxation of land values in the land programme are occupying the attention of Ministers.—Reuter.

MR. CHURCHILL.

NOT GOING TO GERMANY AS RUMOURED.

LONDON, Dec. 16.

Mr. Churchill informs Reuter's Agency that there is no truth in the report that he is going to Germany for several weeks.—Reuter.

RECORD PROPERTY DEAL.

THE COVENT GARDEN ESTATE.

LONDON, Dec. 16.

Mr. Mallaby-Deeley, M.P., has purchased the Duke of Bedford's Covent Garden estate of about nineteen acres free-hold, containing twenty-six streets, which include such premises as Drury Lane Theatre, the Opera House and other theatres, the National Sporting Club, Covent Garden Market, hotels, etc. It is the largest private purchase on record, its price exceeding by millions the price of any other single property.—Reuter.

MINE DISASTER.

38 MEN KILLED IN A COLORADO PIT.

NEWCASTLE, COLORADO, Dec. 17.

Thirty-eight persons have been killed by an explosion of coal dust in the Vulcan Mine. Only two men were rescued.

Some of the victims were men who had returned to work though a strike remained unsettled. The others were strike breakers.—Reuter.

MEXICAN SITUATION.

ANOTHER HIGH-HANDED ACTION BY THE REBELS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.

General Villa has confiscated all the property of a wealthy landowner named Terraza and his nephews, worth many millions, and holds the son of Terraza to ransom at Chihuahua.—Reuter.

FRENCH FINANCE.

PARIS, Dec. 17.

M. Caillaux, withdrawing the 52 million loan, said he had been authorised to introduce a Bill opening credits for current expenditure.—Reuter.

EMPEROR MENELIK AGAIN REPORTED DEAD.

LONDON, Dec. 17.

The *Daily Mail* publishes a message from Djibouti stating that the Emperor Menelik died on Dec. 12.—Reuter.

THE "FRAM."

COLON, Dec. 17.

The "Fram" has sailed for the North Pacific via the Straits of Magellan, fearing to miss the Arctic summer's work.—Reuter.

SOUTH AFRICAN INDIANS.

ALLAHABAD LADIES' MEETING.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

ALLAHABAD, Dec. 17.

Last evening a meeting of the ladies of Allahabad was held to give expression to their feelings on the South African struggle. In the unavoidable absence of the Rani of Jalaun who was to preside, Mrs. Nandlal Nehru was voted to the chair.

Resolutions were passed condemning the action of the Union Government, demanding retaliation and expressing a want of confidence in the Committee of Enquiry. Subscriptions were taken.

The fifth public meeting will be held here to-day under the presidentship of Nawab Abdul Majid, C.I.E., to express dissatisfaction at the Committee of Enquiry and other matters.

Mr. J. McNeil, who with Mr. Chimanlal, visited various Colonies to see the conditions under which Indian labour is employed, is now at Delhi and their report will be drawn up in the course of the current cold weather.

THE PRESS ACT.

ANOTHER MOSLEM PAPER TO FURNISH SECURITY.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

LAHORE, Dec. 17.

The District Magistrate of Amritsar has demanded security of Rs. 2,000 from the local Moslem paper *Al Hadis*.

GREAT CHURCHMAN DEAD.

THE LATE CARDINAL RAMPOLLA.

POPE OVERWHELMED BY GRIEF.

ROME, Dec. 17.

The death is announced of Cardinal Rampolla.

LATER.

Cardinal Rampolla was only slightly indisposed yesterday afternoon. He died suddenly at midnight.

The Pope is stricken with grief and has ordered all possible honours to be paid to the remains.—Reuter.

[Cardinal Count Mariano del Tindara Rampolla, who was born at Polizzi, Italy, in 1843, was appointed Secretary of the Propaganda for Eastern Affairs and for Extraordinary Ecclesiastical Affairs in 1877. He was consecrated titular Archbishop of Heraclea in 1885, but was shortly afterwards raised to the Cardinalate and appointed to the Papal Secretaryship of State.

What would have been the ultimate career of the distinguished churchman, it is difficult to say; but he was, rightly or wrongly, held personally responsible for the *rapprochement* with France and Russia and the opposition to the Powers of the Triple Alliance. We are told that this had its effect on Rampolla's career when Leo XIII. died. The Secretary was undoubtedly the favourite among the *papabili* cardinals but the veto of Austria was interposed and Cardinal Sarto became Pius X. Cardinal Rampolla immediately resigned his office as Secretary of State and thereafter ceased to play any conspicuous part in the Curia, Cardinal Merry del Val being his successor.]

JUDSON CENTENARY.

GREAT GATHERINGS IN MAULMEIN.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

RANGOON, Dec. 17.

The celebrations at Maulmein in connection with the Judson centenary yesterday took the form of a baptismal service, dedication services and prayers, the proceedings terminating with a mass public meeting of citizens held in the Judson Memorial Hall. Mr. A. Gaitskell, Commissioner of Tenasserim, presided and several addresses were given.

The chairman referred to the cordial relations that always existed between the British Government and Dr. Judson, both during and after the trying times of the annexation of the Province of Tenasserim, to the sad death of the first Mrs. Judson, and to the admirable work carried on subsequently by Dr. Judson.

He also referred to the work of Dr. Judson's successors, mentioning the organisation and detail that characterised all the work of American Baptist Missionaries, the medical assistance they rendered from time to time to the people of the land, the printing press they had established so well, the number of schools scattered throughout Burma and the general progress that they had made since Judson's time. Mention was also made of Judson's translation of the English Bible into Burmese and to the stupendous work in Judson's dictionary.

A "CUSTOMARY SALUTE."

BETTONI'S DEFENCE IN LANOVLI SHOOTING CASE.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

POONA, Dec. 17.

On resumption of the case to-day against the Italian miner, Paulo Bettoni, on charges of attempting to murder Shiva Prasad, a timekeeper at the Sherata tunnel works of the Tata Hydro-Electric Power Station and with doing a rash and negligent act, Mr. Leatham, Assistant Collector and Magistrate, put the accused certain questions. The accused said in reply that he fired two shots in the air as a salute without any intention of killing anyone or of hurting anyone. He did not fire at the timekeeper's door. He was angry with Shiva Prasad, but had no intention of shooting him. He told the timekeeper that he was not fair in the way he settled the coolies' wages and that he would report him to the agent. He, the accused, was sober and had not taken any liquor. He was in his bungalow and never went to the timekeeper's door. He threw the revolver down on the floor, saying "if you are afraid, here is my revolver for you."

The timekeeper came out after he heard the shots, continued the accused, and he begged him to give him six coolies. The timekeeper said he had no orders and refused to give any coolies. He told Mr. Gillett in the evening that Chinappa had not been correctly paid for some days. He had been at work and Mr. Gillett paid the man for those days. There was no dispute about this with the timekeeper. It was a custom in Italy and also at the Kolar Gold Fields, Mysore, to fire such salutes. The next morning he informed Mr. Gillett that he could not be at work as ordered by him on account of not being able to get coolies. Mr. Gillett telephoned and asked for the timekeeper and gave orders for the coolies. The coolies came and he went to work at the dam. On the 19th, after he was dismissed, he went to Bombay and saw his solicitor. He reserved his further statement for the Sessions Court.

The Magistrate then framed charges against the accused of attempting to commit murder, and committed him for trial.

PRIZE COMPETITION.

FOR LADY READERS.

The "BOMBAY GAZETTE" is offering a valuable prize to its lady readers. Full details of the competition will be found on page 9.

EDUCATION IN INDIA.

HON. MR. HORNELL'S VIEWS.

FURTHER EVIDENCE BEFORE SERVICES COMMISSION.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

CALCUTTA, Dec. 17.

The Public Services Commission resumed its sittings to-day. All the members were present and Lord Islington presided.

Further evidence from the Educational Department was recorded to-day, four witnesses representing Bengal (Imperial and Provincial Services) being examined.

Mr. E. E. Biss, Principal, Dacca Training College and Mr. J. Das Gupta, Professor, Calcutta Presidency College, acted as co-opted members.

The Hon. Mr. W. W. Hornell, Director of Public Instruction, Bengal, said he first came out to India as a Professor of English in the Presidency College. Then he was appointed Inspector of European Schools and was afterwards appointed Assistant Director of Public Instruction. For three years he was in England as Secretary of the Selection Committee, assisting the Secretary of State and in that capacity had a good deal of experience of the service.

The Chairman: We have had a good many complaints about the methods of appointments in England. Perhaps you can give us more explicit information on the subject than we have been able to obtain. We have been told that appointments are insufficiently advertised.—I think that opinion is based upon misconception.

ADVERTISING APPOINTMENTS.

Mr. Hornell then detailed how appointments were made known. When a vacancy occurred, all information about it was gathered and then circulated among the Universities and to the Scottish Education Department. A certain number of candidates were then chosen and their qualifications considered. It was left to the Scottish Office and to the Board of Education to do the advertising. Most posts were circulated among three or four hundred different people.

The dearth of officers, he said, was owing to the fact that fewer people were taking up educational work and because the Educational Service in India was not popular.

Do you agree with the scheme put before us by the Bengal Government with regard to the division of services? Do you agree that there should be a definite distinction between the administrative and professorial sides, the administrative side to be under the Directors of Public Instruction and the professorial coming under the University or the Vice-Chancellor of the University?—Yes, I do. In general I approve of the principle, but I am not prepared to say in detail how I would work it out.

Turning to the question of recruitment, Mr. Hornell said he would promote to the Indian Educational Service members of the Provincial Service who had been to England and who had done good service. At present he did not think it would be justifiable directly to recruit Indians from the Indian colleges who had not been Home. His method of recruitment would therefore be by means of direct recruitment from Europe and by promotion from the Provincial Service.

Would you suggest that Europeans should be paid a higher rate of salary than Indians?—Yes, but I would not press them too far.

THE ACADEMIC ATMOSPHERE.

Mr. Gokhale put a series of questions to the witness with regard to a statement in his memorandum that there was no academic atmosphere in India.

Mr. Hornell said that this was largely due to the University system.

Mr. Gokhale asked if the lack of the academic atmosphere was due to the fact that Europeans came here and retired as soon as their service allowed them, taking with them the result of their learning.

Mr. Hornell replied that if an academic atmosphere could be created, it would be perpetuated. Indians were capable of doing the highest form of educational work; and if proper steps were taken to recruit this class other men could be obtained.

Mr. Gokhale: If these men were obtained do you not think the problem of an academic atmosphere would be solved?

Mr. Hornell replied that in England education had made a tremendous advance during the past twenty years. He doubted if the academic atmosphere could be created in the manner Mr. Gokhale maintained.

Mr. Gokhale: I do not suggest that Europeans should be sent out of the country and their places taken by the Indians. Send out the best Englishmen.

The witness said that European officers trained others and thus left behind them the result of their efforts.

ANOTHER OFFICIAL VIEW.

Mr. W. C. Wordsworth, Assistant Director of Public Instruction, Bengal, wished to see the Director of Public Instruction made a Secretary to Government. If the Director was made a Secretary to Government considerable reorganisation would be necessary. In point of fact, some scheme had been under the consideration of high authorities—a scheme which would relieve the Director of many of the duties which now fell upon him.

The best method of recruiting inspectors, Mr. Wordsworth told Sir Murray Hammick, was to bring them out as headmasters. There was need of an increase in the inspectorate in Bengal and he thought that a large proportion of any new officers for this branch should be Europeans.

Babu S. P. Das, the next witness, was of opinion that Europeans and Indians should be paid alike but he would not object to some Foreign service allowance to Europeans. He thought that there should be a percentage of European officers in India but he desired to see first-class men.

The Commission here arose for the day.

AN APPOINTMENT.

DELHI, Dec. 17.

The Secretary of State has appointed Mr. Francis Moreton Cheshire, B.A. (Cantab), to the Indian Educational Service as additional Professor of English at the Morris College, Nagpur.

THE GARDEN PARTY

GOVERNMENT HOUSE FUNCTION.

BRILLIANT GATHERING AT MALABAR POINT.

T. E. Lord and Lady Willingdon revived a pleasant feature of the social life of Bombay in former days when yesterday they gave a garden party at Government House. This was the first garden party which had been given at Malabar Point for many years—probably twenty. Lady Willingdon, who takes the keenest interest in her social duties, had personally planned the arrangements and the function was a great success. The grounds of Government House are none too commodious for the purpose of a large gathering of this kind, and considerable ingenuity had evidently been displayed in the provision of so much accommodation for visitors with so much convenience. Altogether 1,600 guests had been invited and it was estimated that about 1,200 were present. Of these it was to be observed that the majority of the men wore black shiny hats, and the occasion was notable, as an experienced member of the Governor's Staff admitted, for the largest collection of top-hats which has ever been assembled in Bombay.

The guests arrived by the upper gate and those who were early collected during a few minutes on the lawn adjoining the ball-room entrance of Government House. A space covered with scarlet cloth edged the drive, and the pathway leading to the entrance steps was lined on either side by a rank of stalwart smooth-whiskered warriors, sowars of the Governor's Body-guard, who in all the magnificence of their full dress uniform stood with red and white pennoned lances at their sides. When a little later it was announced that Their Excellencies were ready to receive their guests, the visitors passed between these splendid figures, ascended the steps, and on the verandah, outside the ball-room, were introduced by Major J. G. Greig, C.I.E., Military Secretary to their hosts. Each shook hands with both Lord and Lady Willingdon and then passed on into the rooms of Government House, the whole of which was open. Most of them spent ten minutes or so here where there was an opportunity of admiring the effective manner in which the House has been re-decorated during Their Excellencies' residence in Poona.

Then they went out by the main entrance or a western stairway to the grounds where two bands were stationed, and playing in turn, maintained a constant succession of music throughout the function. There were His Excellency's Band in a tent near the main entrance and the regimental band of the Sherwood Foresters near the tennis courts, close by this tent was a large refreshment buffet, and there was another in the Durbar Hall overlooking the sea, a spacious apartment, the interior of which has been charmingly done in a scheme of white and gold. Outside the Point Bungalow there was, for most of the afternoon, a group of people, waiting to hear their past, present and future from "Alastor the Mystic," while on the rising ground outside the old Government House two Australian stock-whip experts, Captain Frank Kelly and Miss Violet Kelly, gave a clever and reverberant performance.

Their Excellencies must have spent a tiring time receiving their numerous guests, who continued to arrive for over an hour and later they were to be seen chatting with some of their principal visitors in the grounds with Major Greig and Captain Goldie in attendance. The guests began to depart after six o'clock; and although there was some unavoidable delay amongst so many in finding the right carriages, there was but one opinion that the party had been most enjoyable and in every respect successful.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

SIMLA, Dec. 17.

The following Indo-Colonial reliefs have been sanctioned by the Government of India. The 28th Punjabis from Lahore relieve the 4th Rajputs at Colombo. The 36th Sikhs from Lucknow relieve the 124th D. C. O. Baluchistan Infantry at Tientsin. The relieving regiments will leave India during March and April next.

It has been decided that officers of the Indian Army who attend an examination in England for admission to the Staff College at Camberley, and who qualify for admission shall be granted their travelling expenses in the United Kingdom to and from their residence, and detention allowance at the scale laid down in the Allowance Regulations, irrespective of whether they are actually admitted to the college or not.

It has been decided to cancel the twelfth voyage of the hired transport "Rohilla," both outward and homeward, of the current year's Home trooping programe.

The hired transport "Plassy" left Southampton for Bombay on the 11th December with the following on board:—The 1st Battalion, Oxfordshire Light Infantry, 80 men; 2nd Battalion, Berkshire Regiment, 37 men; 3rd Battalion, King's Royal Rifle Corps, 31 men; 1st Battalion, Irish Rifles, 119 men; 3rd Battalion, Middlesex Regiment, 45 men; 2nd Battalion, Royal Scots, 58 men; 1st Battalion, Inniskilling Fusiliers, 49 men; 2nd Battalion, Hampshire Regiment, 152 men; 1st Battalion, Seaforth Highlanders, 24 men; 2nd Battalion, East Yorkshire Regiment, 29 men; 1st Battalion, Notts and Derby Regiment 37 men; 2nd Battalion, Norfolk Regiment, 49 men; 2nd Battalion, Cheshire Regiment, 45 men; 1st Battalion, York and Lancashire Regiment, 52 men; 2nd Battalion, Leicestershire Regiment, 55 men; 1st Battalion, Royal Fusiliers, 35 men; 1st Battalion, Scottish Borderers, 23 men; 2nd Battalion, Cameron Highlanders, 3 men; 1st Battalion, Chester Regimenet, 4 men; Royal Field Artillery, 123 men.

The "Plassy" is due to arrive at Bombay on the 2nd January, 1914.

Gas is a valuable adjunct to the ventilation of your room: it also destroys the organic impurities we exhale, and it is this which gives gas its greatest hygienic advantage over any other form of lighting.

THE BOMBAY COUNCIL.

HON. MR. CLAUDE HILL EXPLAINS TOWN PLANNING BILL.

MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION IN KARACHI.

DEFENCE OF OFFICIAL PROCEDURE BY SIR PHEROZESHAH MEHTA.

The Town Planning Bill was very ably introduced by the Hon. Mr. Claude Hill at the resumed meeting of the Bombay Legislative Council yesterday.

The provisions of this measure are somewhat of a novelty in India, although, as the introducer pointed out, they are really but an extended form of power similar to those which are exercised regarding buildings by the municipalities. They are necessarily somewhat complicated and possibly, without careful study, a little confusing and thus it was that Mr. Hill made a departure which is new for a Government speaker in proposing that the debate on the Bill should be postponed till the March meeting. This was done and the Council proceeded to consider other matters raised by resolution, all of which however, suffered in interest by comparison with the first and principal topic. The most notable of these was the reference to the suggested appointment of a Municipal Commissioner for Karachi and the somewhat technical discussion of the length of time by publication of a Bill in the *Government Gazette* should precede its introduction.

TOWN PLANNING.

BILL INTRODUCED BY THE HON. MR. CLAUDE HILL.

The Hon. Mr. Claude Hill, in introducing the Town Planning Schemes Bill, said: "I have to ask Your Excellency's permission to move the first reading of a Bill to provide for the making and execution of town planning schemes. This Bill, I would point out at the outset is, from one point of view, not an entirely new departure. Just as the English Housing and Town Planning legislation forms part of, though it is an offshoot from, the legislation for the public health, so this Bill is designed, not as a novel engine to revolutionize Municipal Government, but as a method for giving local authorities, where and when desired and necessary, a new, more efficient and more economical machinery for effecting an improvement in the public health, convenience and amenities. It is true that the Bill is novel in that it contemplates that, in localities to which it may be applied, it will furnish the local authority with a means of planning development in advance; and I need not, I think, indicate the very great advantages which are inherent in such a provision as that.

"I should like here briefly to draw the attention of Honourable Members to the evolution of English thought leading up to legislation upon which the Bill before this Council is modelled. The basis of most of the legislation governing sanitation in England is the Public Health Act of 1848. And the "Common Lodging Houses Act" of 1851 and the "Labouring Classes Lodging Houses Act" were really part and parcel of the general scheme of legislation for protection of the public health. I desire to make clear to honourable members that, although, terminologically, a Town-planning Act is a novelty in India, it is in fact only an adjunct of the ordinary municipal and sanitary legislation.

OBJECTS OF THE BILL.

"The Town Planning Act of 1909 from which the Bill before the Council has borrowed some of its chief provisions is the latest development of English law on this subject. The object of that Act was stated to be "to ensure, by schemes which may be prepared either by local authorities or land owners, that, in future, land in the vicinity of towns shall be developed in such a way as to ensure proper sanitary conditions, amenity and convenience." It is true that this Act proceeds upon what is now generally held—for England—to be the mistaken principle that the 'local authority' shall plan and carry out instead of that the local authority shall only plan and regulate, by bye-laws, the planning by private owners. But for the present, and while legislation of this kind is, in India, at the experimental stage, it is thought that the preparation of town planning schemes should be in the hands of the 'local authority' of the area, though the provisions of the Bill are sufficiently elastic to secure, and permit of, co-operation by owners, while the rule-making powers will enable the Government to regulate building within the areas notified as final schemes. Moreover, it is to be remembered that the Bill, as drafted, does not purport to deal with the slum re-construction question at all. It aims at securing powers which will enable local authorities to prevent the growing up of insanitary dwellings in new suburban areas rather than at remedying the errors of the past.

"The most important provision of the English Act for my present purpose is, however, section 58, which establishes the principle of contribution towards a town planning scheme by the owner of any property included in such schems which, by the operation of the scheme, acquires an enhanced value—the limit of such contribution being "one half of the amount of that increase". We have annexed this principle and reproduced it in section 19 of the Bill.

"This Bill, which applies *proprio vigore* only to the Island of Salsette, aims primarily at securing orderly extension of town areas by the drawing up of well considered schemes, and not at affording a remedy for the evil conditions obtaining in existing towns. That is the primary object we have in view. If it were otherwise, it is conceivable that Government might have preferred to have resort to legislation modifying the existing Acts relating to municipal Government in the direction of compelling Municipalities to revise their regulations and bye-laws relating to building. The distinction is important. Contrast, for example the area known as the Fort—I mean the space lying East of Hornby Road and between Bori Bunder in the North and Esplanade Row in the South—with the Mahim Woods area. For the former area, if the sanitary condition of things, or some other necessity, required demolition and reconstruction, it would, under present circumstances, be necessary for the Municipality to compensate in full the owners of houses, however insanitary, for expropriation and demolition.

RATEPAYERS' RIGHTS.

It is probable that the cost of such a measure would be prohibitive. Assume, however, that conditions imperatively demand such a course: what alternatives lie in front of the Municipality? Is the rate-payer to be asked to pay the private owners of these insanitary slums the full compensation which he may demand, and has he no remedy? In respect of a congested area such as the Fort I suggest that the principle to be to resorted to is that which, by bye-laws, authorizes a Municipality to require certain minimum conditions from house holders. This Bill is not designed to be applied to such an area, and would not adequately or completely meet the case, since it is conceivable that the contributory unearned increment due to appreciation consequent upon opening up the area would not go far towards relieving the rate-payer. It is designed for the development of an area such as Mahim Woods, as forming an extension to a town area. I have ventured to contrast these two areas in order to illustrate the kind of area which might suitably be dealt with under this Bill.

"I suggest that there is a strong analogy between the house-owner who fails to maintain his house in a sanitary condition and a trader in foodstuffs who poisons the community by selling food unfit for consumption. The latter is not tolerated, and I fail to see why the former should be allowed to exist.

HISTORY OF THE MEASURE.

"Having made it clear, then, that this measure is aimed primarily at securing that future town development shall proceed in an orderly and considered manner instead of at haphazard, I must now explain briefly the steps by which Government came to introduce this measure. Although Bombay Island still contains large areas available for residential purposes, the average incidence of population per acre is no less than 67. After the outbreak of plague in 1897 there began a migration to the Island of Salsette where, along its western side, houses have sprung up with extraordinary rapidity. They also, in the earlier stages, sprang up without any plan or order. Again, it was found that the plots of land in Salsette were exceedingly awkward in shape and did not easily lend themselves to any scheme of orderly town extension save by their acquisition bodily. Such a process was far too costly for the "local authorities" existing in Salsette, and rendered the practical carrying out of any development plans impossible.

"Whether the process of migration, which originated with the outbreak of plague, means that the population of Bombay will continue, in increasing numbers, to resort to Salsette to live, is perhaps still doubtful; but it became necessary for Government to take steps to see that, if Salsette was to become suburban to Bombay the process should be watched and carried out with regard to health and general amenities. They therefore appointed Mr. Mead to report on the matter. Mr. Mead's report resulted in the appointment of a special officer to devise plans for the development of the Island of Salsette as a residential area. It soon became evident that, while such an officer was able to make plans, demarcate proposed roads, and generally indicate the proper lines of development, he had no power or resources to give effect, without perhaps prohibitive cost, to any such schemes. Mr. Mead, first, and Mr. Turner later, with the permission of Government, accordingly submitted proposals for legislation which have now, after prolonged deliberation, matured into the Bill before the Council. We are extraordinarily fortunate in Bombay in having Salsette at all, but still more fortunate in that in this matter it serves the purpose of a *corpus vile* upon which the experiment can be made, for all to see, and with so little risk. Remember how Salsette is situated: under the keen and critical—though I hope not hostile—gaze of the City Fathers; designed to afford a suburban home for some of the City magnates and perhaps many of the surplus City populace; nothing connected with the administration of the island of Salsette which is susceptible of criticism will escape criticism.

PURPOSES OF TOWN-PLANNING SCHEMES.

"The next point to which I would draw the Council's attention is clause 3, which describes the purposes for which a town planning scheme may provide and these include the provision and arrangement of roads, the plotting of land as building sites, the reservation of lands for open spaces, and the imposition of restrictions in the matter of the number and nature of buildings and the purposes to which the areas in the scheme may be applied.

"Chapter II of the Bill lays down the procedure to be followed in preparing provisional schemes: and the steps to be taken are briefly:—

"'Firstly, the publication of a provisional scheme and of the intention to plan, and the notification to the public as to where the plan may be seen. (Clause 8).

"Secondly, the publication of a block plan and scheme (prepared in consultation with the owners) [illegible] twelve months of the provisional plan [illegible] the block scheme an[illegible]

(*To be continued on*.

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missible to the local authority to alter the boundaries of original plots and generally adapt them to the scheme with due regard to owners' claims and interests (Clause 10.)'

"By clause 13, a period of 3 months is allowed, after publication of the block scheme and plan, within which objections may be heard by the local authority, before submission to the controlling authority (clause 14) who are required duly to notify their sanction by clause 15.

"By clause 17 certain restrictions are imposed upon owners after a declaration of intention to plan has been issued under section 8.

"Before coming to the financial clauses of the Bill (Chapter III) I think it is necessary to explain the references (in clause 11 and again in clause 17) to the arbitrator. The Council will see that, under clause 28 (Chapter IV) of the Bill, after a block scheme and plan has been sanctioned (clause 15) the controlling authority has to appoint an arbitrator whose duty it is to formulate the final scheme and plan in accordance with the block scheme. In doing so the arbitrator has to fix the difference between the value at the time of the declaration to plan of the plots in their original and final forms, without, in the first case, reference to the improvements contemplated and inclusive of all buildings, etc., thereon. He has also to fix the value of the plots in their final form on the assumption that the improvements contemplated by the scheme have been executed. He also has to adjudicate on claims made before him, award compensation, and so forth. The final scheme and plan, as elaborated by the arbitrator, when notified by the local authority, can then at last be carried into effect.

COST OF THE SCHEME.

"As to Finance I think I ought first to read out to the Council the whole of Clause 18 of the Bill, as it must be understood before the remainder of the Clauses of Chapter III can be appreciated.

"(1) The costs of the scheme shall include all sums spent or estimated to be spent in the preparation and in the execution of the scheme, including all sums payable by the local authority under the provisions of this Act which are not specifically excluded from the costs of the scheme, all legal expenses of the local authority arising from the scheme and any amount by which the total value of the original plots exceeds the total value of the plots included in the final scheme and plan, both being estimated as at the time of the declaration of intention to plan with all the buildings and works thereon at that time and without reference to improvements contemplated in the scheme.

"(2) If in any case the total value of the plots included in the final scheme and plan, estimated as at the time of the declaration to plan without reference to improvements contemplated in the scheme, exceeds the total value of the original plots estimated on the same basis then the amount of such excess shall be deducted from the costs of the scheme.'

"Now comes the important feature of this part of the Bill, adapted, as I have already explained, for section 58 (3) of the Housing and Town Planning Act of 1909. Clause 19 provides that the cost of the scheme, as defined in the clause I have read, shall be met by contributions levied on the owners of the final plots, in proportion to the increment estimated to accrue to each plot, subject to the proviso that the contribution shall not exceed half the increment. That is the most important principle in the Bill.

"In Europe it is the practice to require the builder of a house to build also the road or roads necessitated thereby. This is not the practice in India and development of communications consequent on the growth of a residential area is a heavy burden on local bodies or Government. The Bill remedies this by requiring the contribution described.

DEBATE ADJOURNED.

"While formally moving, now, that this Bill be read a first time, I want to make it clear that Government do not want to press that motion in the present session. It is only recently that the Bill was introduced by publication, and if honourable members think that sufficient time for the study of its principle provisions has not been given, I shall be glad to defer to their views and agree to the adjournment of the discussion until our next session—probably in March."

The speaker then referred to two motions regarding the Bill of which notice had been given. On that of the Hon. Mr. Patel, if the mover suggested that the first reading should not be moved until the Council met in Poona, he (the speaker) could not accept the proposal. While recognizing the novelty of the Bill, and the need for a full understanding of it, he did not think it was so complex as to require more than three months for comprehension.

With regard to the second motion, which dealt with the question of redrafting the Bill, the hon. member said he had been impressed by the need of re-drafting some of its provisions. And hoped when the proper time came to have the advice of the mover, the Hon. Mr. Godbole on the Select Committee to suggest alterations. Meanwhile he asked the honourable member to withdraw his motion.

The Hon. Dr. De Monte rose to speak on the Bill.

The Hon. Sir Pherozeshah Mehta enquired whether the discussion on the first reading was not to be postponed until the March session. If that was so, he asked whether members should not defer their remarks until then as suggested by the honourable mover of the Bill. That was, he said, a really important suggestion and even better than the motion and amendments of which notices had been given by the Hon. Mr. Patel and the Hon. Mr. Godbole.

Sir Pherozeshah hoped the Council would appreciate the exhortation which his honourable friend had delivered in the guise of a eulogy. The members of the Council were grateful to him for the admirable, perspicuous and illuminative manner in which he had placed an important piece of legislation before the Council. It would be a useful course to adopt to move the first reading and then leave the Council time to consider and digest the provisions of the Bill, which were of general complexity.

He formally moved the postponement of the discussion on the first reading and the motion was agreed to.

KARACHI MUNICIPALITY.

The Hon. Mr. Jehangir Kothari moved that Government be recommended to inquire into the necessity for a paid Municipal Commissioner for Karachi. Karachi was now one of the largest ports of India and it required a new Municipal Act and a full-time Municipal Commissioner. Thirty years' experience of municipal work had convinced him that the administration would never be brought to the efficiency which it should attain until the Corporation were given a constitution on the lines of that in Bombay.

The Hon. Mr. Harchendrai Vishendas asked that this motion should be postponed or withdrawn as this question was now pending before the Karachi Municipality. Mr. Cadell, before vacating his appointment as Acting Commissioner in Sind, wrote a minute to the Municipality suggesting the appointment of a Municipal Commissioner. To this minute the Municipality had prepared a lengthy reply which would shortly be published. He pointed out that the appointment of Municipal Commissioner was an expensive one and it might be considered whether the appointment of a chief officer under the District Councils Act would meet the circumstances of Karachi.

The Hon. Mr. Patani said it was desirable for Mr. Kothare to withdraw the resolution. In the first instance, as explained by Mr. Harchandrai, the matter was before the Karachi Municipality. Mr. Cadell having made a minute on the subject. Again, the District Municipal Act Amendment Bill was being considered by Government and was likely to come before the Council in March next. Under that Act provision was made for full time paid commissioners for towns, the aggregate population of which was 1,50,000. If that Bill became law it would be open to Karachi to appoint a full-time Municipal Commissioner for the city. Under the circumstances he asked Mr. Kothari to withdraw the resolution, and this course was adopted.

AN "INGENUOUS" RESOLUTION.

The Hon. Mr. Vithalbhai J. Patel moved :—

"That this Council recommends to His Excellency the Governor-in-Council that, except under special and extraordinary circumstances, no important legislative measure be introduced in the Council, unless the same is announced in the *Government Gazette* three months prior to its introduction."

The hon. member cited several instances in which Bills were passed through all their stages at the same meeting. This, he declared, deprived members of opportunities of studying the bills and express their opinions. The object of his resolution was to give members time to acquire knowledge of the bills and the public opportunity to make representations if they had any to make.

The Hon. Sir Pherozeshah Mehta said that the resolution was ingenuously worded; but, he was afraid, it would not remedy the evils complained of. The free atmosphere, which His Excellency had said on the previous day, was to be introduced into the Council, would remove such causes of complaint. The procedure recently adopted to move the first reading and then to adjourn the debate thereon was a most useful remedy for the grievance set forth by Mr. Patel. The better course was to allow bills to be introduced and explained to the Council by the member in charge and then to adjourn the debate till the next session. He invited Mr. Patel to withdraw the resolution.

The Hon. the Advocate-General pointed out that the time allowed between the publication and introduction of the bills was sufficient to give an opportunity to those who wished to study and send representations.

Sir Richard Lamb opposed the motion as being scarcely practical and as unnecessary. He pointed out that Government in the case of several important bills had consented to the adjournment of the first reading, when the Council regarded further time for consideration as necessary.

The resolution was withdrawn.

The Governor said he was extremely glad to hear of the withdrawal. It was very pleasant to see such a desire for knowledge and efficiency in the consideration of Bills. From his own recollection they were far better treated in regard to knowledge of bills in that Council than were the members of the House of Commons and he did not therefore think that they had any reason to complain.

A resolution by the Hon. Mr. Upasani recommending that Modi script be retained for all office records and correspondence was also withdrawn.

PANDHARPUR FAIR.

The Hon. Mr. Godbole moved : "This Council recommends that in the interests of the very large number of poor pilgrims that visit Pandharpur fair, His Excellency the Governor-in-Council will be pleased to request the Government of India to retain a passenger station on the left bank of the Bhima River, after the construction of the Pandharpur Bridge by the Barsi Light Railway Company with its pontage concession, so that the poor pilgrim can get down at this passenger station and make his own arrangements for crossing the river, thus saving about annas 9 or thereabouts in his railway fare expenditure each time."

Sir Richard Lamb said the resolution could not be accepted. It was not practicable to endeavour to reduce the railway charges after the company had concluded negotiations with Government and settled the terms on which the bridge should be built.

The mover of the resolution, after hearing Sir Richard's reply, begged leave to withdraw. The permission was granted and the resolution withdrawn.

The Council then adjourned to 11-30 this morning.

RAILWAY NEWS.

[Associated Press.]

Delhi, Dec. 17.

Mr. A. K. Homan, Assistant Locomotive Superitendent, Eastern Bengal Railway, is appointed to officiate as a District Locomotive Superintendent, from 1st October, 1913.

Mr. S. C. G. Wood, Traffic Manager, State Railways (Supernumerary), is permitted to retire from the service of Government from the 28th September, 1913.

LAW INTELLIGENCE.

BOMBAY HIGH COURT.

INSOLVENCIES.

CREDIT BANK SEQUEL.

RAHIM JOOSAB ADJUDGED INSOLVENT.

Mr. Justice Macleod sat as Commissioner in Insolvency yesterday and disposed of the following matters :—

Mr. R. D. Sethna, Official Liquidator of the Credit Bank of India, Ltd. (now in liquidation), applied in person that Rahim Joosab (brother of Jaffer, late manager of the bank), be adjudged insolvent.

Mr. Sethna in his application stated that Rahim was indebted to the bank in the sum of Rs. 4,03,664 with interest thereon.

Out of that sum Rs. 8,864-14-1 were due at the foot of his current account with the bank, and the balance was due on hundies and promissory notes.

His lordship accordingly adjudged him insolvent.

RAMGOPAL HIRALAL AND OTHERS.

Mr. Inverarity, instructed by Messrs. Payne and Co., appeared on behalf of the third, fourth, fifth and seventh insolvents and moved for a rule *nisi* to show cause why the order of adjudication should not be annulled. Counsel also moved for a similar rule on behalf of Joharimal Mulchand.

Mr. M. R. Jardine, instructed by Messrs. Surajmal and Co., opposed the application on behalf of the petitioning creditor, Mohanlal Hansraj.

Mr. Inverarity said his clients' case was that they were not partners in the firm of Hansraj. They carried on a large business in other parts of India and not in Bombay. They had nothing to do with Hansraj's business. Hansraj was a partner with his clients in another firm. They were able to pay the debt due to their firms, and they had committed no act of insolvency.

His lordship asked what had become of the sixth insolvent.

Mr. Inverarity said that insolvent was separate from the others. Hansraj was liable for debts and had suspended payment. Counsel repeated that his clients had never committed an act of insolvency.

Mr. Jardine submitted that Mr. Inverarity could not make that application. He asked his lordship to disbelieve the suggestion put by his friend, so far as Joharmal was concerned, his client was the creditor of all the three firms. His clients got as security some shares of the Nagpore Mills.

Application refused.

PIROJSHA JAMSHEDJI.

Mr. Kapadia appeared for this insolvent and applied for an interim order which the Court granted.

PETITION WITHDRAWN.

Mr. Jinnah appeared for Keshrichand Roopchand, a pearl merchant, and applied that his petition of insolvency should be withdrawn. Counsel said his client had dealings with Shaikh Abdul Rehman, another pearl merchant who was insolvent. Keshrichand's brother had agreed to help him and he therefore made this petition.

Application acceded to.

JEHANGIR HIRJIBHOY SHROFF.

Mr. J. D. Davar appeared for this insolvent and asked for an extension of interim order for three months which the Court granted.

SHRIRAM KALORAM.

On behalf of the Insolvent, Mr. Vatcha applied for an extension of the interim order for three months. Granted.

NARANDAS GOCULDAS AND ANOTHER.

Mr. Inverarity appeared for Govindji Moolji Ravel, a creditor, and applied for committal of these insolvents. Counsel said they had not yet filed their schedule.

Mr. Jinnah, who represented the insolvents, said his clients would file their schedule before January 15, 1914.

The Court refused to grant the application.

DAMJI HIRJI AND ANOTHER.

Mr. M. R. Jardine appeared for a creditor, and applied for a rule calling upon the insolvents to show cause why they should not be committed to jail for not filing their schedule.

The rule was granted.

CLOTH MERCHANTS' FAILURE.

Mr. Inverarity appeared for Hiralal Damordas, a petitioning creditor, and moved that Chaganlal Dovlatram and others be adjudged insolvents.

It was stated in the petition that the insolvents carried on business in Mulji Jetha Cloth Market, in partnership with Narandas Gopaldas, Chimanlal Chunilal and Ranchodas Mowji (deceased), as Shah Jayantilal Chimanlal and Co. That a similar order be made for the administration in insolvency of the estate of the deceased Ranchodas, who died in 1912. Chaganlal Dowlatram and Jaganath Govindram and the estate of the deceased were indebted to the petitioner and one Govindji Mulji Raval in the sum of Rs. 1,772-8. By a mortgage deed all the stock-in-trade of the shop of the debtors was mortgaged to the petitioner and Raval for Rs. 10,000. The stock-in-trade was sold by public auction and Rs. 1,110-13 realised. The debtors had now suspended payment.

His lordship issued a notice against the debtors to show cause why they should not be adjudicated.

A LAND DISPUTE.

An appeal preferred by the Secretary of State for India in Council against Bava Balkisandas Guru Jankidas against the decision of the District Judge of Surat came up for hearing before the Chief Justice and Mr. Justice Batchelor, yesterday.

The Hon. the Advocate-General, with the Government pleader, appeared for the appellant; while the Hon. Mr. Setalwad, instructed by Ratanlal Ranchordas, with Mr. Manoobhai and Mr. N. K. Mehta, defended. The respondent claimed to be manager of the Patali Hanuman Temple in Surat City, and he filed the suit in the lower court against the appellant for a declaration that land measuring about three square yards and one foot, occupied by a portion of his "bangli" or detached building was part of temple land and had been in his possession for over sixty years : that it was not part of Government Survey No. 83, and that it was not in the appellant's ownership.

He claimed further for a perpetual injunction restraining the Collector of Surat, or any other officer or servant of the appellant, from removing the building.

The temple is ancient, but was renewed, with the parapet wall and pitching, between 1905 and 1907, at the expense of one Chaterbujdas. The "bangli" occupying the land in the suit, and other lands, was begun in 1907, the cost of erection being paid by one Pranjivandas. It had reached about its present stage (up to one storey) when Rev. Dr. Shillidy of the Irish Presbyterian Mission, whose land it adjoined to the south and overlooked, drew the attention of the Municipal Secretary to the building (in October 1908), and later the Municipal Committee gave the respondent notice to stop building.

Mr. Bonus, President of the Municipality, also Collector of Surat, took the matter up, first as President and then as Collector. The Collector, after obtaining a report from the Mamlatdar of Chorasi, that the land was Government land, authorized the Municipality to take action. When the Municipality gave notice to the respondent, the latter instituted a suit (similar to the present one) against the Municipality in the Court of the First-class Subordinate Judge, Surat. After the case had proceeded a certain way and the respondent applied for an *ad interim* injunction, the Collector (on April 2, 1909) decided to deal with the matter under his powers as Land Revenue Officer, yaland advised the Municipality not to contest the suit, which was accordingly decided in the respondent's favour.

The plaintiff (now the respondent) then filed a suit in the District Judge's Court, and the judgment in this suit held that the land had been proved to have been in the possession and use of the plaintiff-respondent for over sixty years as owner. The judge further held that the plaintiff Bava was entitled to the declaration and the injunction sought. Hence the appeal.

Their lordships, after hearing counsel, passed a consent decree which stated that the temple authorities admitted the encroachment of Government land in dispute. It was agreed between the parties that the Collector, on behalf of the Secretary of State, should lease the ground to the temple authorities for 999 years at a nominal rent. The temple authorities undertook not to erect the building higher than the walls of the Irish Presbyterian Mission compound bungalow and agreed to put a sloping roof over the building now under construction. The parties to bear their own costs.

CURIOUS "MAGIC" CASE.

Before Mr. Justice Heaton and Mr. Justice Shah, a petition presented by a complainant named Tarachand Hiralal came up for hearing.

Mr. Sighue, who presented the petition, said it was directed against the order of the First-class Magistrate of Erandol, in the Khandesh District, who discharged Hassan walad Noormahomed and four others who were charged with conspiring to kill Tarachand by magic.

The case was that the petitioner was adopted by a rich Marwadi who died leaving property of the value of Rs. 1,25,000, to the petitioner. A quarrel arose between the petitioner and a widow of the deceased's family, and it was alleged that the latter's brother, the third accused, conspired with two other men to kill the petitioner by magic. Hassan afterwards purported to disclose the plot to the petitioner's munim and demanded Rs. 2,000 from him to avert the calamity. A sum of Rs. 500 was actually paid. Hassan and his comrades were then charged.

The magistrate who tried the case held that Tarachand was a silly youth and his munim was the wire-puller in the case. He was of opinion that the case was a plot to entrap the widow's brother and others. He therefore discharged them.

Tarachand appealed to the Sessions Judge of Khandesh, who also rejected the appeal. Hence the petition to the High Court.

Their lordships, after hearing counsel, also rejected the petition.

THE POLICE COURTS.

CONFLICTING EVIDENCE.

At the Mazagon Police Court, before Rao Bahadur C. H. Setalwad, Second Presidency Magistrate, Inspector Sutton charged Pherozeshah D. Choksi, a chauffeur in the service of Lieut.-Col. M. P. Kharegat, I.M.S. (retired), with rash and negligent driving.

It was alleged that on November 28th Miss Isabel Sharp, a nurse in the employ of Capt. H. S. Hutchinson, I.M.S., took her master's child in a perambulator and was going along Napean Sea Road. The perambulator was being pushed by a chokra and two dogs belonging to Captain Hutchinson were with the party. When near the Nizam's bungalow, the car driven by the accused came up at an unusually rapid pace and without warning. It passed very close to the perambulator and ran over one of the dogs, killing it. The nurse asked the accused to stop but he went on.

Miss Sharp said the accused did not attempt to avoid the dog. She had had a very narrow escape from the same car a few days ago.

The chokra said the driver blew the horn once but did not attempt to avoid the dog. He swerved the car to the right and the dog also swerved to the right.

A police constable on duty at the spot said the car was going at the same speed as other cars did, not faster.

Lieut.-Col. Kharegat, who was in the car at the time, said the driver sounded the horn and slowed down the car. He attempted to avoid the dog by swerving to the right. If he had not swerved the dog would have been between the two wheels, and had he swerved to the left the car would have run down the perambulator or against the wall. Moreover, it was not possible to drive the car at the terrific speed represented, as it was a heavy car and its sparking plugs were worn out. The witness thought the speed was only about fifteen miles an hour and when it slowed down it must have been half. The car was at the time working on only two cylinders.

His worship, after hearing the evidence, said he would charge the accused for failing to report the accident, and the case was adjourned.

ALLEGED KIDNAPPING.

A shoe-maker named Hari Rauji was placed before Mr. G. R. Khairaz, Fourth Presidency Magistrate, at Mazagon, on a charge of kidnapping a girl named Chandribai, aged six, from the guardianship of her mother (Parvati). The complainant lived in the house of one Yessoo Baloo, and the accused used to board in the same house.

It was alleged that about two months ago the accused asked Parvati to give her daughter Chandri in marriage to him, but she replied that the girl was too young to be married and declined. On November 21 Parvati, as usual, went to work, leaving the children with her mother-in-law, who was also in the house. When she returned in the evening, she did not see her daughter and reported the matter to the police.

A few days after, it was stated that the accused had carried away the girl and he was arrested. It is further alleged that he then took the police to his home at Ratnagiri, where he had left the girl with his father. The accused declined to make a statement and was committed for trial.

DOMESTIC INFELICITY.

The case in which C. De Sousa charged his wife Antonia with assault, was disposed of yesterday by Mr. Frank Oliveira, Third Presidency Magistrate.

Mr. Navalkar, pleader, appeared for the complainant. The complainant lodged a complaint against his wife, and the matter was referred to the police for enquiry. When the complainant, with a police officer, went to the house, it was alleged that the accused rushed at the complainant and struck him on the face with a slipper. When the case came on for hearing on a former occasion an attempt was made at a compromise but it failed.

The magistrate convicted the accused and fined Rs. 10.

ANOTHER "BOMB LETTER."

[Associated Press.]

Calcutta, Dec. 17.

Another bomb letter containing grey powder, which was found to ignite on friction, was delivered through the post at the *Empire* newspaper office here this morning.

PUNJAB CO-OPERATIVE BANK.

[Associated Press.]

Lahore, Dec. 17.

Some leading depositors of the Punjab Co-operative Bank, second among existing swadeshi banks, have set the example of restoring public confidence by themselves appointing a committee to go into the affairs of the bank. The report of the committee having proved satisfactory the depositors, representing about eight lakhs of rupees, renewed their deposits at a meeting held for the purpose.

SOCIETY WEDDING.

CAPT. JENKIN, R.A. TO MISS BROMLEY.

[Associated Press.]

Coonoor, Dec. 16.

At St. George's Church, Wellington, this afternoon Capt. Frederick Charles Jenkin, R.A., was married to Miss Dorothy Tryphose Bromley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bromley of Tunbridge Wells. The bride who was given away by her brother-in-law Major Inkson, was dressed in white satin draped with old lace, the skirt being caught up with pearl ornaments, while the vest and sleeves were of silk tulle. The two bridesmaids were dressed in white silk. Capt. Wright acted as best man. The honeymoon will be spent at Madras. Amongst those present in Church were, Sir Stanley and Lady Ismay, General and Mrs. Corker, General Hamilton, Col. and Mrs. Geddes, Col. and Mrs. Connor, Col. Fraser and the officers of the Buffs and the Staff of the Cordite Factory, to which the bridegroom is attached.

MARATHA EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE.

The seventh session of the Maratha Educational Conference will meet on the 28th, 29th, and 30th instant, at Nasik. His Highness Sir Udajirao Puar, K.C.S.I., Maharaja Sahib of Dhar, will preside.

There will be demonstrative lectures on agriculture by officers of the Agricultural Department and lectures on co-operative credit societies by honorary organizers of the various districts in the Central Division.

VON ARX.

To-night, at the company's performance at the Royal Opera House, Von Arx, who has accepted a challenge from a local citizen, will undertake to escape from handcuffs and leg-irons, after being securely manacled in same by the person who has challenged him. To-morrow night the inmates of the Institute for Deaf-Mutes have been invited to attend the first performance. At both shows to-morrow night Von Arx will permit a gunner of the Royal Artillery to shoot at him with his own gun and ammunition. Von Arx says he will catch the bullet. On Saturday night he has accepted a challenge to escape from a packing case, to be supplied by the challengers, after being securely nailed inside by a number of their employeess.

LAND DISPUTE.

A serious land-fight has occurred in the village of Ramanka, near Ujalvan, Agency territory. A correspondent informs us that some gracias, armed with swords and lathis, went to the village and attacked a crowd, several on both sides being injured. Several arrests were made.

The prospects of a lively Christmas at Delhi are far from promising, a correspondent writes to the *Statesman*, as practically everyone who can manage to leave the temporary City is arranging to do so. "The Viceroy, Lady Hardinge, and their staff will of course be in Calcutta. A number of high officials are finding it convenient to pay official visits in various centres. The Lahore Christmas Meets will attract a certain number of residents, and many other men who can manage a few days' leave, will proceed on shooting expenditions outside the Delhi District. The Imperial capital therefore promises to be a more or less deserted city in another fortnight's time."

THE WEATHER.

SLIGHT RAINFALL IN SOUTH MADRAS.

[Associated Press.]

Simla, Dec. 17.

The disturbance near Ceylon has given some rain the in south of Madras, the chief falls being Cuddalore 1·12 inches, Pamban and Negapatam 1 inch. Temperature is low in Rajputana and Gujarat. The weather is again disturbed in Persia and cloud has commenced to appear along the North-west Frontier.

Forecast:—No large change.

THE WINTER RAINS.

Allahabad, Dec. 17.

The annual forecast regarding winter rains in India will be issued before Christmas.

Appended is Wednesday's report of the Meteorological Reporter for Western India, based on observations taken at 8 o'clock.

Names of Stations.	Maximum temperature during the past 24 hours.	Minimum temperature during the past 24 hours.	Rainfall past 24 hours.	Rainfall since 1st November to date.
Bushire (16th) ...	66·8	57·0	1·89	5·66
Jask (16th) ...	78·3	62·8	...	0·77
Muskat (16th) ...	77·6	70·1	...	0·00
Multan ...	70·3	43·5	...	0·08
Rawalpindi ...	61.9	35·6	...	?
Lahore ...	67·1	39·7	...	0·37
Sirsa ...	67·3	40·0	...	0·65
Ambala ...	67·5	40·9	...	0·72
Delhi ...	68·0	43·8	...	0·48
Agra ...	69·5	44·5	...	0·09
Mainpuri ...	70·3	44·1	...	0·26
Jhansi ...	70·6	45·5	...	0·37
Cawnpore ...	70·1	45·5	...	0·02
Allahabad ...	71·1	44·5	..	0·63
Jacobabad ...	69·6	45·8	...	1·30
Karachi ...	76·0	56·0	...	0·17
Ajmer ...	66·6	43·2	...	2·34
Jaipur ...	70·2	41·6	...	0·86
Kotah ...	71·6	49·6	...	1·03
Bhuj ...	77·0	45·0	...	0·03
Dwarka ...	79·3	61·2	...	0·00
Verawal ...	78·1	62·8	...	0·00
Rajkot ...	82·6	52·8	...	0·00
Bhavnagar Para.	82·0	50·3	...	0·00
Surat ...	87·4	58·6	...	0·00
Ahmedabad ...	82·6	56·7	...	0·00
Deesa ...	81·3	49·4	...	0·01
Neemuch ...	71·4	45·5	...	0·04
Indore ...	75·1	45·1	...	0·20
Jubbulpore ...	72·3	42·3	...	0·94
Saugor ...	70·3	48·1	...	0·81
Hoshangabad ...	75·1	48·4	...	0·77
Khandwa ...	79·2	47·1	...	0·00
Akola ...	83·2	49·0	...	0·49
Amraoti ...	80·8	54·3	...	1·31
Nagpur ...	79·6	50·8	...	0·85
Chanda ...	82·0	52·0	...	0·37
Raipur ...	72·7	50·6	...	1·26
BOMBAY ...	87·7	71·6	...	...
Ratnagiri ...	89·3	70·4	...	...
Mormugao ...	83·0	72·7	...	...
Karwar ...	90·7	67·5	...	...
Malegaon ...	81·9	54·6	...	0·08
Ahmednagar ...	82·1	65·5	...	0·16
Poona ...	86·0	57·8	...	...
Sholapur ...	84·8	66·1	...	0·01
Bijapur ...	85·2	64·8	...	0·24
Belgaum ...	82·3	62·5	...	0·82
Aurangabad ...	81·4	57·0	...	0·00
Nizamabad (Indur) ...	84·2	58·3	...	0·02
Hyderabad ...	83·3	63·7	...	0·00
Mangalore ...	90·8	70·3	...	0·93
Calicut ...	87·3	74·1	...	4·67
Cochin ...	85·7	70·7	...	4·41
Colombo ...	77·0	72·5	2·45	26·66
Masulipatam ...	84·4	70·7	...	...
Bellary ...	89·2	65·2	...	0·04
Cuddapah ...	84·5	67·7	...	3·09
Madras ...	84·2	76·3	0·08	25·91
Bangalore ...	78·6	60·3	...	0·30
Coimbatore ...	82·4	67·3	...	4.50
Trichinopoly ...	75·1	71·8	0·21	8·48
Negapatam ...	79·8	72·5	0·95	50·57

Summary of observations recorded at 8 hours on Wednesday, the 17th December, 1913, giving data for the preceding 24 hours.

The Punjab.—Skies are lightly to moderately clouded in the north Punjab and clear elsewhere. The moisture in the air is either equal to or above the average. Day temperature is in defect in the north and the east Punjab.

The United Provinces.—Skies are clear. Humidity is normal or in defect. Maximum temperature is in defect over the whole division ; minimum temperature is also below normal in the extreme western districts.

Sind and Rajputana.—Skies are generally clear. The moisture in the air is either equal to or above the average. Both day and night temperatures are in defect in Rajputana. Day temperature is below normal in upper Sind.

Gujarat, Kathiawar and Central India West.—Skies are clear. Humidity is normal or in defect. Temperature has fallen and is now in defect in west Central India and Cutch and at Bhavnagar-Para.

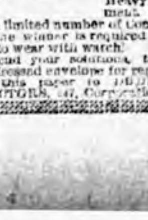
The Central Provinces.—Skies are clear or lightly clouded. The moisture in the air is either equal to or below the average. Temperature has fallen and is now in defect at some stations during the day.

The Konkan.—Skies are lightly clouded. Humidity is normal or in defect. Temperature is nearly normal.

The Bombay Deccan and Hyderabad.—Skies are lightly to moderately clouded. The moisture in the air is either equal to or below the average. Night temperature is generally in excess.

General Remarks.—Rainfall has been local in south-east Madras. Seas are rough on the Coromandel Coast and at Colombo and conditions remain unsettled in the south of the Bay of Bengal. Bushire reported heavy rain yesterday.

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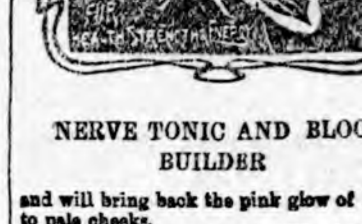
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BOMBAY CROP REPORTS.

The following bulletins have been issued by the Department of Agriculture, Bombay :—

INDIGO.

Area.—The total reported and estimated area under indigo stands as under :—

	Acres.
British Districts	2,400
Native States	3,700
Total ...	6,100

The cultivation of the crop is mainly confined to the two districts in Sind and here also its cultivation is being given up in favour of other crops. The area of the current year in the British Districts is about 26 per cent. below last year and 56 per cent under the average.

Season.—The crop is reported to have done well and is estimated to yield about 75 per cent. of the normal. The crop was harvested as usual in October-November.

Outturn.—The total estimated outturn stands as under :—

	Cwts.
British Districts	600
Native States	1,050
	1,650

RICE.

Area.—The total reported and estimated area according to latest information received stands as under :—

	British Districts. Acres.	Native States. Acres.
Presidency ...	1,760,500	614,000
Sind ...	1,061,100	7,000
	2,821,600	621,000

The total area in British Districts is about 4 per cent. higher than in the previous year and 11·7 per cent. over the average of the preceding ten years Except in the Karnatak where the area shows a slight fall owing to deficiency of rain, the increase in the Presidency is general and is mainly due to the early favourable rains. In Sind the cultivation is restricted owing to deficiency of water supply at the time of sowing.

Season.—In the whole of Gujarat, North and West Deccan and the two northern districts of the Konkan the season has, on the whole, been favourable and the crop has fared well. In the Karnatak the crop has suffered through deficiency of water-supply in tanks and in the two southern districts of the Konkan from the prolonged breaks in August-September. The Sind crop is reported to have done fairly well. The harvesting of the early ripening varieties commenced as usual in September in Gujarat and in October elsewhere; the later varieties reached maturity a month later.**

Outturn.—In Gujarat the crop is estimated to yield between 100 to 120 per cent. of the normal. In the Deccan the yield ranges between 80 to 100 per cent. In the Karnatak the yield is estimated at about half the normal in Dharwar and three-fourths of it in Belgaum. In North Konkan the crop is estimated to yield between 100 to 125 per cent. of the normal and in South Konkan between 65 to 85 per cent. of it. The Sind crop is about half the normal in Hyderabad and two-thirds of it elsewhere.**

The total estimated outturn stands as under :—

	British Districts. Cwts.	Native States. Cwts.
Presidency ...	17,646,800	6,431,900
Sind ...	6,793,200	53,000
	24,440,000	6,484,900

The outturn for British Districts is nearly up to that of last year and about 12 per cent. over the average of the past five years.

COTTON.

Area.—**The latest reports show the total area under the early as well as the late varieties of cotton as under :—**

	British Districts. Acres.	Native States. Acres.
Presidency.....	3,351,600	3,323,900
Sind	281,400	10,800
	3,633,000	3,334,700

Total 6,967,700 acres; 8·8 per cent. over last year's area and 15 per cent. over the quinquennial average at the same date. Except in the Karnatak where rain for sowing was deficient and in Baroda where more attention was paid to the growth of food crops, the increase is general and is, in the Presidency, due to timely rain for sowing and to the stimulus afforded by high prices fetched by the crop during recent years. In Sind favourable inundation has brought about extended sowings.

Season.—**In Gujarat the early sown crop suffered at first from continuous rain in July-August which washed away seedlings and necessitated resowing in places. Subsequent break has been favourable for the growth of this crop and it has been doing well everywhere. The late sown crop however has suffered owing to absence of rain after sowing, is somewhat stunted in growth and is estimated to yield only a fair outturn. In the Deccan the crop has done well in Khandesh; elsewhere it has suffered through deficiency of rain and has almost withered away in eastern parts of Poona and Sholapur In the Karnatak the crop was sown late and is still young. It has however been benefited by the late rains and is progressing fairly well at present. The Sind crop is doing fairly well everwhere. The picking of the early crop in Gujarat and Deccan commenced normally in the second fortnight of October and in Thar and Parkar in Sind from 1st of November.**

Outturn.—**In North Gujarat the crop is estimated to yield between 85 to 100 per cent. of the normal In South Gujarat it is expected to yield from 65 to 85 per cent. of it. In North Deccan the yield ranges between 85 to 115 per cent. of the normal; elsewhere it varies from 50 to 80 per cent. of it except in the eastern parts of Poona and Sholapur, where the crop is poor and is estimated to yield between 15 to 40 per cent. of the normal In the Karnatak the crop is still very young and its further progress largely depends upon the course of the weather hereafter. As far however as it can be judged at present its yield may be estimated at between 50 to 85 per cent. of the normal. In Sind the yield is reported at about half the normal in Thar and Parkar and 2-3rds of it elsewhere.**

The total estimated outturn stands as under:—

	British Districts. Bales.	Native States. Bales.
[Presidency.....746,600		833,700
Sind 100,300		4,600
	846,900	838,300

Total 1,685,200 bales; 8 per cent. over last year's yield and about 33 per cent. over the average of the previous five years at corresponding date.

LONDON FOGS.

WHY THEY ARE SAID TO BE DECREASING.

SOME SCHEMES SUGGESTED FOR DISPELLING THEM.

In the last twenty years there has been a surprising improvement in London fogs, says the *Daily News*, the average number of foggy days in the winter having been reduced from 30 to 10, and the ours of bright sunshine increased from 55 to 93, but there is still the deplorable fact that London in the winter can be a more depressing and dirty place than any other city in the world. In spite of the encouraging advance there are still too many days when the Londoner has to go about his business with tingling eyes and choked lungs, and has to turn on the light when the sun should be shining through the window.

Whether London will ever be entirely free from fog is very doubtful. The probability seems to be that there will always be fogs, but also that they will gradually become less frequent and less black, till in the end possibly they may become just the ordinary white fog of the clean country. London fogs are black only because the air is dirty, as the result of the daily consumption of 5,000 tons of coal. Only when every house is heated by gas or electricity, and all cooking is done by one or the other, and factory chimneys do not smoke will there be any chance of London having a clear winter air.

IS THE WIND GROWING STRONGER.

But the authorities are not by any means unanimous on this point. They explain the improvement in various ways. One argues that it is due to the increased strength of the wind in recent years; another that it is due to an increased dryness of the London atmosphere, owing to the greater area covered by paved streets and slated roofs; and yet another contends that it is due to the widely extended use of air warmed above the outside temperature by fires, as well as by contact and radiation from comparatively warm walls and roofs. The general opinion, however, is that the improvement is due to the efforts made to reduce this noisome evil and the greater popularity of gas and electricity. But even this plausible theory is not allowed to solve the problem. Several authorities argue that even if no coal were burnt in London there would still be plenty of dust to which the minute globules of moisture could adhere.

LONDON'S GIGANTIC DUST MANUFACTURE.

At present the soot and that dust fall in one year in London is 51,537 tons. How much of this is soot from coal fires and how much dust from other sources has not been decided. Probably most of it is soot. In any case there is no doubt that, apart from soot, London becomes cleaner every year, due largely to the displacing of the horse by the motor. The streets are by no means so dusty as they used to be. All this helps to prevent fog.

In the meantime London depends chiefly on its great scavenger—the wind So long as there is a good breeze the particles of carbon always in the air have no chance to act as the raw material of fog. They are swept away into the country before moisture has a chance to cling to them. But when the wind falls much below ten miles an hour, or—worse still—when there is a calm combined with a low temperature, there is pretty certain to be a fog. The wind is the vacuum cleaner of the sky, and when it ceases to work London suffers. If all the households of London forgot to dust their rooms it would not matter very much. But when the wind forgets to dust the sky it matters very much indeed.

THE PROBLEM: HOW TO MAKE WINDS.

No doubt this is why most of the inventions for dispelling fog have been based on the very obvious idea of blowing it away. A few years ago an Italian proposed to discharge volumes of acetylene gas into the air from huge cannon. He guaranteed that his invention would hit the densest fog in twenty minutes. A Frenchman proposed to encircle London with immense steam-driven fans, at a cost of £10,000. A German suggested a system of air canalisation to carry off fog through pipes and deposit it somewhere out at sea. Sir Oliver Lodge proposed electrical discharges. Even as long ago as 1833 an inventor spent a good deal of money in experimenting with aerial bombs sent up by balloons. So far, however, no artifical means of getting rid of fog has been found satisfactory. The wind is still the only vacuum cleaner on a big enough scale.

It has been estimated that the average daily movement of the wind past St. Paul's is 281 miles. It is when it sinks below 100 miles in the day that London must look out for fog. A south wind blowing at 30 miles an hour not only sweeps away the dust and carbon, but brings Brighton air to London in two hours. There are, in fact, plenty of sea breezes in London, but, unluckily, they are two hours late.

90 MILES AN HOUR FLIGHT.

A new record in British Army flying has been set up by Captain Longcroft, of No. 2 Squadron of the Royal Flying Corps, stationed at Montrose who flew from the base at Upper Dysart to Portsmouth and back to South Farnborough, a distance of between 630 and 640 miles in seven hours fifteen minutes, an average speed of about ninety miles an hour.

His machine was a biplane, fitted with a 70 horse power Renault engine capable of maintaining a speed approximating to 100 miles an hour. It had been specially fitted with a petrol tank with a capacity of some fifty-four gallons, and had also a wind screen and side mirrors reflecting the character of the ground beneath.

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At a meeting of the directors of the Bombay-Burma Trading Corporation Limited, held yesterday, (says a cable) it was resolved to recommend the declaration of a final dividend of Rs. 1,000 per share on 100 shares of Rs. 2,500 each and Rs. 50 per share on 40,000 shares of Rs. 125 each for the year ending 31st May, 1913.

MENDEL BEILISS ON HIS PRISON LIFE.

FURTHER DETAILS.

PATHETIC STORY OF A FELLOW CAPTIVE.

Another despatch from Kieff, published here to-day completes the pathetic narrative by Mendel Beiliss of his experiences in gaol while awaiting trial for the "ritual" murder, telegraphed the *Daily Telegraph's* correspondent. My previous cablegram after detailing various phases of the terrible experience endured by Beiliss at the hands of the Russian authorities, concluded with the statement by the unfortunate victim that after reading the details of the indictment he first gathered hope of final acquittal

It is emphasised by the correspondent of the *New York American* at Kieff, who sends the despatch from which I quote, that he withheld, for obvious reasons, certain phases of the prisoner's treatment in gaol, but he indicated that the full story may be told later.

After the eighteen months of purgatory already described in the first chapter of the interview, permission was obtained for the captive to see his wife and children. Beiliss was taken from his cell to a big room, with a number of wire-cages, in which prisoners are placed so they might not be able to grasp their friends' hands.

WIFE AND CHILDREN.

The wife and children are led in. The woman looks deathly pale, thin, worried, and years older than when he saw her last. Neither could find words to express their emotion until the governor of the prison broke the spell by saying, "Don't lose time, Beiliss; you've only a few minutes together."

"The prisoner in the next cage to mine" continues Beiliss, "had his wife as a visitor. Presently I heard her say to her husband, 'Tell the Jew next to you all the town knows he is innocent, and, with God's help, the real murderer will be discovered.' I started to thank her, when the governor stopped me.

"My life in prison was one long chain of suffering, but my hope was sustained by my trust in God."

Beiliss describes his agonised days and sleepless nights in gaol awaiting trial, his rapidly alternating hopes and fears, and then the presentation to him of a new indictment, full of legal technicalities and of discussion of religious questions, hundreds of pages long. It took him two days to read the indictment.

"I was mentioned only once by name," says Beiliss, "and that was on the last page. The charge was full of untruths, and so affected my mind that I could not concentrate on anything. If it had not been for the Bible, which was allowed me and which spoke to me like a voice in the wilderness, I believe I should have gone insane. I was losing strength daily, and what made me full of fear was that I noticed a great anxiety on the part of the prison officials to get rid of me. They were plainly anxious that I should die in my cell, but I was determined to do my utmost to live, because I knew of the black spot on Jewry, which my death would make it harder to remove. I prayed to God to let me live until the trial. I tried to eat, although the food was awful."

"RITUAL" CHARGE DENIED.

"About this time another prisoner was put into my cell. He was a Pole, who had just been sentenced to eighteen years in Siberia. I saw at once that he was a man of the better class, with education. From the first moment he talked about nothing except to protest his innocence. I tried to comfort him, and told him the tragedy of my own life. He listened intently, and when I had finished he replied: 'Although I am a Pole, and a Christian, I have lived among Jews for years, I know their religion and habits, and also their secrets, and I know there is no such thing as ritual murder among them.' I thanked him with tears in my eyes, and a great friendship grew up between us.

"One day he was called before the governor. When he returned I noticed that he was greatly excited. I asked the reason, and he replied:

"'I do not want to upset you, but I must tell the truth. I was called to the governor's office, where many high officials were gathered. The first question they asked was: 'Are you ever confined in Beiliss's cell?' 'Yes, your Excellency,' I replied. 'You are a Christian, are you not?' 'Yes.' 'Then you must, as a Christian, assist us to solve the murder of the boy Yushinsky by someone who drinks our Christian blood.'

"'I am very anxious to help you, your Excellency, but I do not see how I can,' I answered. 'Perhaps Beiliss told you he committed the murder. You are with him day and night. Perhaps his conscience hurts him. Perhaps he talks in his sleep. Listen to him carefully.' 'I have listened very carefully,' I answered, 'and the only thing I noticed are the bitter tears of the Jew. I am convinced, your Excellency, that my partner in the cell is an innocent man.'

"One day later my friend was taken away to Siberia. I shall never forget him: our farewell will live with me for ever.

THE DAY OF TRIAL.

"To my greatest joy three weeks later the prison superintendent came to my cell. 'The hour is approaching,' he said. 'Come to your trial.' My prison clothes were taken away and my old blue suit, which I had not seen for two and a half years, was handed to me. 'Make yourself comfortable, Beiliss,' said the superintendent. 'The truth will soon be known.' As I listened to his words I could hardly believe he was the same man who had previously treated me so cruelly. He looked at me and evidently read my thoughts, as he added, apologetically, 'From the newspapers I see there is no evidence against you, and you will soon be set free. I want you in that hour to remember me kindly.'

"I thanked him, and then the soldiers came and joined us. We moved toward the prison doors, they opened, and, for the first time in many wretched months, I got a glimpse of the glorious sky. There was a prison van waiting with soldiers around it. I was greatly frightened, especially as a crowd of women and children belonging to the prison officials stared at me. I got into the van, and at last we left the prison.

"From a small grating in the van I was able to see the streets. They were crowded with hundreds of students from the University, many of them with girls. There were thousands of men, women, and children, many of whom were waving their hats and handkerchiefs. They lined the pavements, and as they pressed forward the Cossacks with whips drove them back, and my heart was heavy. At last we arrived at the courthouse. I was taken from the van, and led up the steps to the trial-room. I said to myself, 'God, show them the truth and defend me.' **With these words I went forward to face my accusers."**

A SKIPPER'S LAW SUIT.

ALLEGATIONS AGAINST NAVAL OFFICERS.

CASE SETTLED IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST.

An action in which remarkable allegations were made against two naval officers by the captain of a steam drifter came before the Lord Chief Justice and a special jury in the King's Bench Division in mail week. Captain George Welton, captain of the steam drifter "Explorator," of Lowestoft, sued Lieutenant-Commander Sydney H. Tennyson and Sub-Lieutenant L. R. Higgins, of H. M. gunboat "Gossamer," for damages for false imprisonment and illegal trespass.

The plaintiff alleged that while he was anchored in Lerwick Harbour, Commander Tennyson ordered him to shift his anchorage and make room for the "Gossamer." As he did not move quickly enough to suit the naval officer he was ordered aboard the "Gossamer," placed under arrest, and told to stand in a certain spot for two hours. At the same time Lieutenant Higgins went on board the "Explorator" and navigated her to another spot, meeting with two collisions on the way.

THE INCIDENT.

Mr. Hamar Greenwood, for Captain Welton, said the harbour of Lerwick was one of the great harbours of the north-east coast fishing fleet, and it was under the control of Captain Gray, the harbour master, and nobody else had any authority. The "Gossamer's" duty was to cruise about and protect the fishing fleet, and he (counsel) argued that the "Gossamer" had no right in Lerwick Harbour at all. At about 2 a.m. on June 22, 1911, the "Gossamer" went into the harbour, and was anchored near the pier, and at nine o'clock the "Explorator" came in and anchored 400 yards off, an anchorage it had used before, and which was the correct anchorage. The gunboat left the pier, and the harbour master indicated that it had better take the place of the "Explorator," which should be asked to move. Commander Tennyson took his vessel right across the bows of the "Explorator," and peremptorily ordered that boat to move. Captain Welton obeyed as quickly as he could. Then Lieutenant Higgins came on board the "Explorator" with four sailors, and requested Captain Welton to come aboard the "Gossamer," and he went. There Commander Tennyson, said counsel, behaved like a madman. "What do you mean by disobeying orders?" he said. "I was not disobeying your orders," replied Captain Welton. "You disobeyed," replied the Commander, "by not getting up your anchor." Then, pointing to a spot on the deck, the Commander ordered the old skipper to stand there. The skipper stood on that spot for two hours.

ATTORNEY-GENERAL INTERVENES.

On the third day's hearing the Attorney-General interposed on behalf of the Crown. His attention had been called, he said, to the case when reports of it had appeared in the newspapers. The difficulty he felt in the case was that really there was a great public interest involved, far and above and much more important than private interests. From that point of view he ventured to interpose at that late stage in the action. He had received the hearty co-operation of counsel who appeared for the parties, and subject to his lordship's approval, an agreement had been come to which would relieve the jury of having further to deal with the case.

He would say quite frankly that in the public interest he thought it right to approach plaintiff's counsel on behalf of the Crown, and it had been agreed that the plaintiff should receive a payment which was regarded as a fair and satisfactory settlement of the dispute as far as the question of damage was concerned. That had been done in the public interest, and to promote, as far as could possibly be promoted, good feeling, and to cultivate an even better feeling between those engaged in the fishing industry on the one side, and the Admiralty on the other, in the difficult work of regulating the fishing industry.

He need hardly say, proceeded the Attorney-General, that the arrangement would have been quite impossible without the assurance from the plaintiff that it was recognised that Lieutenants Tennyson and Higgins, the defendants in the action had acted throughout in a bona-fide manner, and what they did they did in the belief that they were discharging the proper duties imposed on them.

ONE OF THE MOST DIFFICULT TASKS.

The regulation of the fishing industry around our coasts, said the Attorney-General, was one of the most difficult tasks which could fall to the lot of those who exercised the King's authority in the great service of the Navy, and if it was to proceed satisfactorily it could only be by mutual good feeling between those concerned. He would say that the Admiralty fully recognised the great hardship which those engaged in the fishing industry experienced, and it was also recognised that in the public interest the best feeling should exist between the fishermen and the Admiralty.

Mr. Hamar Greenwood (for the plaintiff) said he accepted the offer of the Crown. His client was just as anxious and willing to serve the public interest as was the Crown. The plaintiff recognised that the defendants acted bona fide in the discharge of their duties. The words of the Attorney-General would do a great deal to improve the feeling between the thousands of fishermen around the coasts, and those who had the great responsibility of carrying out the great Fishing Acts.

The Lord Chief Justice said he was glad that the settlement had been come to, following the interposition of the Crown, which recognised that there was a strong public interest involved in the matter above the interests of private individuals. He was glad that the Crown had given satisfaction to the plaintiff, and hoped that this would promote the good feeling between fishermen and the Admiralty's officers, who were charged with the protection of the fishing fleets. The case had been conducted with great fairness by counsel for both sides, and he thought the most that could be said against the young officers who were the defendants—and it was not a serious charge to make—was that they were unduly impressed with the importance of their position as officers of his Majesty's Navy. (Laughter.)

A juror was then withdrawn, and the case concluded, no terms being disclosed.

The opinions of local administrations on the proposed banking legislation should reach the Government of India during the current Delhi session says the *Pioneer*. They will embody the views of Chambers of Commerce and other public bodies that have been consulted. These views have in some instances already been made public, the latest reply of a Chamber on the subject being, a letter from the Indian Merchants' Chamber of Bombay.

ONE MAIL A YEAR.

THE WORLD'S LONELIEST MISSION.

MISSIONARY'S EXPERIENCES.

Half the staff of what is perhaps the loneliest mission station in the world is now spending a brief furlough in England. That half-staff is the Rev. S. M. Stewart, of the Colonial and Continental Church Society, whose permanent address is anywhere in Ungava, the great icebound province between Labrador and Hudson's Bay—a thousand miles further from civilisation than the scene of Grenfell's work in Labrador.

The extent of his remoteness from the ordinary twentieth century world may be gauged by the fact that letters are delivered in Ungava once a year.

WHEN THE SHIP COMES IN.

"The most anxious moment of the year," said Mr. Stewart, "is when the Hudson Bay Company's vessel from England is sighted, and we are waiting or know whether she brings us good news or ill. A few years ago my furlough was nearly due, and I was looking forward to getting back to see my old father in Ireland. Then the ship came, and I found he had died nine months before."

The equanimity with which Mr. Stewart could speak within the very confines of Fleet-Street itself, of his banishment from the news of the world came as something of a shock to the interviewer.

"We get on quite well without news" the exile declared, "and I find I can pick up the threads of everything that matters within a week after I get home.

For the last eighteen months Mr. Stewart has had a colleague to share his solitude, but for twelve years before that he carried on his work singlehanded Over an area of perhaps 300 miles there are about a dozen white men and half-breeds, all of them trappers or fur traders. For the rest, society consists of Cree Indians and Eskimos, and Mr. Stewart spends most of his time on the move, living in a tent or a snow-hut, usually the latter.

"MEDICINE SOAP."

The missionary's preaching includes the gospel of cleanliness, and he backs it up in a practical way with cakes of soap.

"Unfortunately," he remarked, "I gave them scented soap to start with, and they ate every cake they could get hold of. Now I have taken to carbolic, and they say they don't like 'medicine soap,' so they use it for the purposes it was meant for.

Polar bears and wolves and ice-quakes and variety to life in Ungava. An ice-quake is sufficiently explained by the fact that there is a spring tide rise and fall of 60 feet on parts of the coast, and floating ice fields crack and break up under the changing pressure The operation on one occasion opened a 30ft. crevasse under Mr. Stewart's feet and left him at the bottom of it, with the certainty that as the tide fell the sides would come together and crush him like a spider in a book Somehow he forced himself up the sheet and got within hail of natives before he collapsed from an injury to his knee that kept him laid up for a month

Mr. Stewart is going back to the peace of Ungava as soon as he has found friends to defray the cost of a motor-boat that will rival his "twelve-dog-power Eski-motor" in keeping him in touch with his scattered congregations. He is looking forward with lively anticipation both to the experience of sailing the boat up from Newfoundland and to the reception it is likely to be accorded by his parishioners.

LORD KITCHENER'S STATUE.

ADVENTUROUS JOURNEY OF A FIVE-TON MONUMENT.

After an adventurous journey of nearly forty miles through the roads of south-east London, the statue of Lord Kitchener on his charger Democrat, has arrived on board the P. and O. steamer "Novara" says the *Daily Mail*.

All night the five-ton statue, for which the sculptor, Mr. Sidney Marsh, received over £3,000, was slung up in mid-air by the powerful chains of a thirty ton crane in the Victoria Dock. At nine o'clock yesterday the crane and its statue floated slowly down to the Albert Dock, taking about three-quarters of an hour to do a voyage of less than a mile. There the effigy was tenderly lowered into the hold of the "Novara" and laid on its side. To-morrow it will sail for Calcutta and the glory of a public pedestal.

The journey from Farnborough, where the bronze was cast from cannon sent over from India, began on Tuesday morning at eight o'clock. It is only thirteen miles, so that the six horses and four men should have arrived the same afternoon. But the statue on its wagon was eighteen feet high, two feet more than a double-decked tramway-car, and there are few railway bridges in South London which would allow it to pass under. Inquiries established the fact that neither of the Thames tunnels was high enough to allow passage. The free ferry was also declared impossible.

From Woolwich the load began to come back westwards. The sculptor's brother went ahead with a tape measure and found when the bridges were too low. Even when there was only a quarter of an inch to spare the drivers put the load under it.

The four horses were unyoked and the load taken through with two. Once or twice the man on the top to fend off branches and telegraph wires was nearly swept from his perch.

Tuesday night found the travellers far from the docks, and rest was taken at Finsbury. At six o'clock a start was made on Wednesday, but the eastern bridges again provided obstacles, so that it was late yesterday afternoon before the Field-Marshal on his charger was drawn up by the thirty-ton floating crane.

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THE TWO SERVICES.

FIRST APPOINTED MATES NOW AFLOAT.

With the appointment to seagoing ships of the thirteen mates who were confirmed in that rank in October, the Admiralty may be said, remarks the *Army and Navy Gazette* to be reaping the first-fruits of their scheme for promoting a limited number of young warrant and petty officers to commissioned warrant rank and ultimately to commissioned rank. It has taken these officers in the first batch but a few weeks over a year to reach the ward-room, as they were only appointed for training in September, 1912. They have taken gunnery and torpedo courses at Portsmouth, and six months at Greenwich for instruction in navigation and allied subjects, and the fact that all have been confirmed as mates is an indication that they have satisfactorily passed the examinations required at the end of this period at Greenwich. They now become available, as Mr. Churchill said when introducing the scheme, 'for all executive duties of sub-lieutenants."

According to the results of the recent examinations, they will serve as mates for not less than two and not more than three years, after which they will be eligible for promotion to the rank of lieutenant. The vessels of the Fleet which have been chosen to receive the first contingent of mates are mostly in the cruiser squadrons. Each vessel in the First and Second Cruiser Squadrons has one, and two in the Third Cruiser Squadron, while the other ships chosen for the purpose are the *Hibernia*, of the Third Battle Squadron, the *Minotaur* in China, and the *Swiftsure*, in the East Indies. In all these ships, the mates will of course, live in the ward room, for which purpose they will receive a messing allowance of 2s. a day in addition to their pay of 8s. a day, as well as a gratuity of £50 for uniform and outfits. As the pioneers of a new order of things, the mates have a responsibility thrust upon them, in the discharge of which they will be closely watched by the powers that be, but there seems not the slightest doubt that they will fulfil all the hopes of those who originated this genuine scheme of promotion from the lower deck.

THE NEWEST BATTLESHIP.

With the launch of the battleship Warspite at Devonport Dockyard the number of the world's Dreadnoughts afloat was brought up ninety-six, and of these the British Empire owns one-third, the figures being :

Great Britain	32	Japan	4
Germany	21	Austria	3
United States.....	10	Brazil	3
France	7	Spain	2
Italy	6	Argentine.....	2
Russia	5	Turkey	1

The sending afloat of the Warspite was an occasion for peculiar interest from the fact that it brought together on the launching-platform. Mr. Churchill, the First Lord of the Admiralty, and Mr. Austen Chamberlain, who was Civil Lord of the Admiralty during the whole of Mr. Goschen's regime at the Admiralty under a Unionist Government. Mr. Austen Chamberlain's presence was due to a significant departure from custom when it was determined to confer upon the wife of a prominent member of the Opposition the honour of "naming" and launching a warship. This association of a Minister and an ex-Minister on such an occasion was one of the outstanding features of the launch, and others were the vessel's launching weight of nearly 12,000 tons, which eclipsed all records for Government-built ships, and the fact that she belongs to class which will represent the present limit in the size of capital ships. The Royal Oak, which will take the place of the Warspite on the building slip, though a Dreadnought, will be of smaller dimensions, owing mainly to the decision to aim at a lower speed.

EXPLOITS OF FRENCH AIRMEN.

Vedrines, the French aviator, has successfully defied the international air laws, thereby demonstrating the difficulty of enforcing them. He wanted to take a long flight eastwards, but the Minister of War, having no desire to raise a delicate question unnecessarily, forbade the indiscretion, granting permission to him to fly westwards. Resorting to a ruse by stating that on leaving Nancy, his destination was Paris, he turned his aeroplane directly he got high enough into the air to escape observation, and crossed the Franco-German frontier. That was at seven o'clock in the morning. By two in the afternoon he landed at Prague. It was a fine feat, but had luck not favoured him he might have dropped down on German territory, with unpleasant diplomatic consequences for his own country. Such a risk should not be lightly undertaken by any national, particularly says the *Broad arrow* when there is nothing special to be gained by the venture. Flights of a similar kind have been taken over and over again. Another daring French aviator, Garros, successfully "looped the loop" three times without difficulty at Villacoublay, using the same monoplane in which he crossed the Mediterranean. Militarily this exploit serves no particular purpose except, perhaps, to show the control of the aviator over his machine. The problem which troubles the European Ministries of War is the need for reliable aircraft of the dirigible type. The daring feats which are performed with the biplane and the monoplane reveal how much further invention has progressed with them than with the airship.

SOLDIERS AS RECRUITERS.

A War Office memorandum was published on the 13th inst. in which a scheme for turning all soldiers on furlough into active recruiting officers is outlined. It is as follows:—

"It is notified that a postcard and cover have been approved, and will shortly be ready for use in connection with recruiting by soldiers on furlough. These postcards and covers have been authorised, numbered Army forms B 172 and B 172a respectively. When a soldier proceeds on furlough he should be given a few postcards enclosed in a cover in which are printed instructions for their use. The address of the recruiting officer nearest to the place where the man proposes to spend his furlough will be entered in the place provided on the cover before issue to the soldier.

"If the soldier meets a man who wishes to enlist he will fill in a postcard and post it unstamped to the recruiting officer, who will take all steps to enlist the recruit. He will then endorse the postcard and forward it to the commanding officer of the soldier from whom he received it, with an intimation that the reward will be credited to the soldier's account. The commanding officer will see that the reward is credited to the soldier concerned or inform him if the recruit has been rejected, as the case may be."—*The Broad Arrow.*

WALKING RECORD BROKEN.

Walking ten hours in a drizzle and more than eleven hours in a driving rainstorm, John H. Scott, veteran pedestrian of Philadelphia, has broken the record between New York and Philadelphia. His time was 21hr. 29min., against the former record of 21hr. 35min. and 10sec.

Scott left the City Hall, New York, 9 30 a.m., being sent on his way by May Kline, the successor of the late May Gaynor, and arrived in Philadelphia 6-59 the next morning. This is the fifth time Scott has walked between these two cities. He lost fifteen pounds during the walk.

NOTES FROM THE MAIL.

CIGARETTE INQUIRY.

Replying to a question in the Reichstag Dr. Richter, Under-Secretary of State for the Interior, announced in mail week that an official inquiry would be held into the relations of Anglo-American tobacco interests with regard to the German cigarette industry.

STINIE MORRISON.

The authorities at Parkhurst convict prison are causing a specially vigilant watch to be kept to prevent any communication from the outside with Stinie Morrison, who is now serving a life sentence there for the Clapham Common murder. A certain amount of suspicion has been aroused by movements outside of persons who are stated to be anxious to secure Morrison's release from prison. Warnings are said to have reached the authorities and the unusual precaution of an outside picket at night is being adopted.

DOLS. 10,000 FOR ABSTINENCE.

According to the terms of the will, Mr. Ben May, now living in Cheyenne (Wyo.), must abstain from the use of intoxicating liquors for two years and support himself during that period in order to share in the dols. 40 000 estate left by his mother, Mrs. Demetria A. May, widow of an insurance agent.

May is to share equally with his three sisters should he follow out the terms of the will.

TRAM'S RACE FOR DOCTOR.

The story of a tramcar's race for a doctor was told at an inquest at Ilford, on a former, named Richard Lewis. He was noticed in a state of collapse in a tram, and the conductor immediately gave instructions to the driver to go as fast as possible to a doctor's house on the line of route. The doctor was not at home, and another race took place to a second doctor's house further along the route. Before reaching there, however, the man died. A verdict of "Death from natural causes" was returned.

KAISER AND MISSIONARIES.

A contribution of an exceptional kind has been made by the German Emperor to the London Missionary Society in the shape of a grant of 3.000 marks towards the work of two German missionaries of the society in Samoa. The fund from which the gift has come was raised in Germany in celebration of the Kaiser's completion of twenty-five years' rule as Sovereign head of the German Empire, and is devoted to the promotion of Christianity in German Colonies and Protectorates. Gifts are made without any restriction as to the nationality of the mission, provided that the workers for whom the grants are made are of German nationality.

MAYOR'S ADVENTURE.

Mr. A. W. Chard, Mayor of Falmouth, who is a marine surveyor, was one of the persons who descended into the burning hold of the Wilson Line cargo boat Bassano. The vessel was detained at Falmouth some days in consequence of the fire in mail week.

Mr. Chard was accompanied by Captain Boxhall in command of the ship; Mr. Marshall one of the superintendents of the Wilson Line, and Mr. Wilson, chief officer of the Bassano. All had ropes attached to them, and within a few minutes persons left on deck discovered that the party was in difficulties. When hauled to the surface, all four were unconscious, having been overcome by the fumes given off by the burning cargo. Except for the chief officer, they soon recovered. Mr. Wilson, however, remains in a critical condition.

CAMERA PERIL IN ITALY.

The Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs has been informed by his Majesty's Chargé d'Affaires at Rome that the Italian Government have issued regulations prohibiting the use of cameras on the whole of the Italian frontier, where there are positions of military importance, and also in places in the interior of Italy requiring protection from spies. The position of these prohibited districts is always indicated on posts and placards clearly marking the limits of such zones. Visitors to Italy are therefore warned that if after crossing the Italian frontier they enter any of these zones they will be liable to have their cameras seized and be subjected to penal proceedings and fines. Should a plate or film be found on a visitor with the negative of a military locality of importance, the consequences would be still more serious.

THE SALVE OF SLEEP

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This old saying was quoted with approval by professor William Stirling, of Manchester—described by Sir James Crichton Browne as "the most brilliant exponent of modern physiology"—in a lecture at the Barnes Hall of the Royal Society of medicine Wimpole-street, London. Muscular fatigue said the Professor, gradually used up the chemical reserves upon which our movements depended and, in addition, poisonous by-products were formed which often remained to clog the machine and to act as toxins Sever bodily exercises, he declared, was incompatible with full digestive activity "after dinner rest awhile" was part of the proverbial wisdom of Salerno. Mental fatigue greatly impaired bodily activity and physical or muscular disease had a distinct effect on brain activity.

STEWED HIPPO!

Mrs. Dan Crawford—whose book, "Thinking, Black," has created considerable controversy—mentioned some extraordinary Central African "dishes" in the course of a lecture at Aldersgate-street, London. These included stewed elephant's trunk, roast rhinoceros foot, boiled hippo tongue (stewed forty-eight hours to make it tender), roast wild donkey, stewed monkey, roast water rat, head, tail, and all, and the delicious morsel which a chief provided as Slave delicacy, of a mess of thousands of white ants, frizzled in their own fat, like a sort of Central African whitebait. Also there was a special dish, much savoured, of starchy boiled grass "given an glutinous." Mrs. Crawford told of the Central African "banquet." The young bridegroom wore a necklace of teeth and hairs of the elephant's tail, and a fur toga, which any West End lady would envy, of zebra skins, grey and white, the tones being complete possibly—for all European garments were fashion plates one of Mrs Dan Crawford's skirts specially lent to the occasion.

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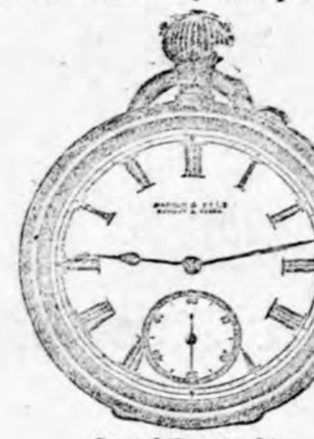
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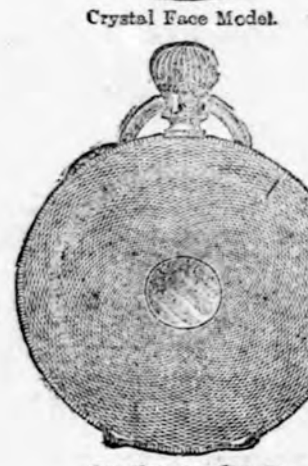
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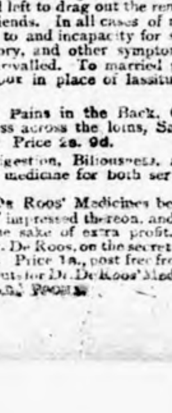
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